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# ANY OVERT ACT WILL BRING THE UNITED STATES INTO THE WAR

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, MAY 28 (UP).—THE SCRIPPS-HOWARD COLUMNIST, MR WILLIAM SIMMS WRITES TO-DAY THAT "FOREIGN ENVOYS HERE HAVE WARNED THEIR GOVERNMENTS THAT THE UNITED STATES IS AWAITING ONLY AN OVERT ACT BY THE AXIS TO ENTER THE WAR." THAT IS THE INTERPRETATION ON THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS AND PROCLAMATION.

## Ceaseless Action By The R. A. F. Enemy Aerodromes Smashed

CAIRO, May 28 (Reuter).—The bombing of Aleppo aerodrome in Syria and a successful series of raids on the enemy-occupied aerodrome at Malemi in Crete are the highlights of an official Middle East air communiqué.

## BISMARCK LOSSES

Total 2,000 Men

ZURICH, May 28 (Reuter).—Nearly 2,000 men were lost in the sinking of the German battleship Bismarck, according to an estimate reported by the Berlin correspondent of the "Basler Nachrichten," who observes that crews on German ships are bigger than on British.

### Reconnaissance

LONDON, May 28 (Reuter).—"It was a great hunt and we are eager and ready for more," states a message to the Admiralty from the Commander-in-Chief, Coastal Command, replying to a signal from the Admiralty gratefully acknowledging the part played by the Coastal Command in reconnaissance for the Bismarck.

The signal from the Admiralty states that this reconnaissance "contributed in a large measure to the successful outcome of the recent operation."

## No Repeal Of Neutrality Legislation

WASHINGTON, May 28 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt has no intention of asking for a repeal of the Neutrality Act and is not considering its revision.

The President made this clear at a special press conference to-day to clarify certain outstanding questions following his "fireside chat."

The President added that he was not at present considering any executive orders to implement his proclamation of a state of "unlimited national emergency."

## Wavell's Abyssinian Campaign Vindicated

LONDON, May 28 (Reuter).—General Sir Archibald Wavell's strategy in completing the conquest of the Italian East African empire when distractions were afoot further north was vindicated in the House of Lords to-day by Field Marshal Lord Birdwood and the Under-Secretary for War, Lord Croft.

Lord Birdwood, who is often called the "Father of the Indian Army," said that he had an uncomfortable feeling that unwittingly, full justice had not been done to the magnificent work of the officers and men from India, Dominions and the colonies in the East African campaign.

Lord Birdwood said that the majority of troops were from South Africa and India, and practically every African colony was represented.

It was certain that Hitler ordered his subordinate, the Duke of Aosta, to contain the British troops as long as possible in Abyssinia to use up their large supplies. A feature of the campaign, however, was the ex-

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The fact that President Roosevelt acquainted Congressional leaders beforehand with what he intended to say made his pronouncements as coming as close to a war declaration as the President is able to go. The United States policy is described as a clear ultimatum which, in effect, is what the speech could be called, without great exaggeration.

Columnist Raymond Clapper stated, "America has changed overnight. Without action by Congress or any mention thereof, President Roosevelt assumed new powers. The President placed himself in a position to begin an undeclared war, or rather unannounced fighting against the Axis when his judgment calls for it. This is, in effect, an executive declaration that a state of war exists."

## IF AXIS START SHOOTING U.S. "Task Forces" Will Reply

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, May 28 (UP).—Informed quarters to-day interpreted President Roosevelt's assurance that Britain would receive war goods as a signal for extended United States naval operations on the Atlantic, probably by "task forces," especially designed to meet the Axis threat.

They were of the opinion that these would probably be composed of battleships, aircraft-carriers, destroyers and submarines, and it was predicted that they would operate similar to the British squadrons which sought the Bismarck.

Some sources stated that the initiative for shooting in open sea warfare will be left to the Axis. If the Axis decline to fight vast superior forces, the goods will be delivered without shooting but, they observed, if an attack was made, then the United States would be unable to insure delivery of the goods without returning the fire.

## LATEST

### Almost Undeclared War

WASHINGTON, May 28 (UP).—President Roosevelt has led the nation near to the limits of an undeclared war if he is prepared to implement his unlimited emergency proclamation. A special press conference is scheduled for to-day in order to elaborate and explain the message.

The President said last night that strikes and lock-outs must cease abruptly in order to enlarge the scope of the Aid-to-Britain programme, and this supported by bristling threats to deliver war materials to the fighting men with armed force. The pledge went beyond words which the Administration considers an obsolescent. The speech aroused a national clamour of applause despite Representative Melvin Maas saying, "This means war." Senator Tom Connally declared that it was a "ringing call to duty and service for all Americans."

Senator Robert Taft asserted, "The declaration of an unlimited national emergency has no legal effect whatsoever. The President has no statutory or constitutional authority to declare such an emergency."

Very "Encouraging" Senator Carter Glass, "I agreed with every word and more besides." Speaker Sam Rayburn of the House stated, "It will be very encouraging for the democratic peoples throughout the world." Senator Walter George said, "It was a very strong statement of the Administration's basic philosophy."

Representative Hamilton Fish thought it was "just sop to the interventionists."

Senator Gerald Nye asserted, "The President gives notice that we are already conveying."

Senator Pat McCarran declared, "I think it is another way of declaring war."

Senator Robert Wagner was of the opinion that "President Roosevelt has firmly accepted and courageously exercised the great responsibility invested in him by the American people in an unparalleled world crisis."

## Halifax & Keynes Go To White House

WASHINGTON, May 28 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt invited Lord Halifax, the British Ambassador, and Mr. J. M. Keynes, the distinguished Cambridge economist, to the White House to-day, but the purpose of the engagement was not disclosed.

## One Of The 1941 War Methods

Novel indeed are some of the methods and tactics adopted in the present war. Here is something the British army learnt from the invasion of the Lowlands. Picture shows Guardsmen, armed with Tommy Guns attacking an "enemy" post during manoeuvres "somewhere in England."



## Crete Forces Locked Together In Great Slogging Match

CAIRO, May 28 (Reuter).—Authoritative military circles summed up the Crete battle to-night as follows:

"It is continuing to develop as an intensive stand-up slogging match. The fighting is hard, particularly in the area between Canea and Malemi."

## Hell Fire Pass Abandoned

## New Situation In North Africa

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CAIRO, May 28 (UP).—The situation in North Africa has taken a new turn, and British General Headquarters to-day issued a communique which states that Hell Fire Pass, near Tobruk, has been temporarily abandoned by Imperial troops.

It was at Hell Fire Pass where Graziani's army made its last attempt to withstand the British offensive, but the strategic situation was secured after a few days of intensive fighting following a brilliant movement by the attacking forces.

The same communique announces that fighting continues on the Egyptian side of the Libyan-Egyptian frontier.

The enemy has taken Halfaya Pass. Operations extend for about 15 miles south from the sea.

The situation at Sollum is obscure.

## Honours For African War Heroes

LONDON, May 28 (Reuter).—In recognition of the recent successful operations in East Africa, His Majesty the King has ordered the following promotions in and appointments of the Order of the Bath:

To Knight Commander—Lieut. General Alan Gordon Cunningham (brother of Admiral Sir Andrew Cunningham) and Major-General William Platt.

To Companions of the Order of the Bath—Major-General Alfred Read, Godwin-Austen, Colonel Harry Edward de Robillard Wetherall and Brigadier-General George Edwin Brink, of the South African Staff Corps.

To Knight Commander of the British Empire—Major-General Lewis Maclefeldt, Heut. of the Indian Army.

## Norwegians Agree To Help Us

## New Pact Signed

LONDON, May 28 (Reuter).—Determination to prosecute the war to a successful conclusion is affirmed in the Anglo-Norwegian Agreement concerning the organisation and employment of Norwegian armed forces in the United Kingdom signed to-day by the British and Norwegian Foreign Ministers.

The two governments have agreed that one of the objects of the war is the re-establishment of freedom and independence of Norway through its complete liberation from German domination.

They recognise the importance in their common interest of maintaining the armed forces of Norway and have agreed on principles on which these armed forces will be organised for co-operation with the Allied armed forces.

## French Tanker Sunk

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" LONDON, May 28 (UP).—An Admiralty communique states that a French tanker of about 5,000 tons which was en route to Tripoli escorted by an Italian warship was torpedoed and sunk. A liner of about 1,800 tons carrying about 3,000 troops to Libya was hit with two torpedoes and is considered to have been sunk.

## Air Attacks On Cologne

## Large Fires Started

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, May 28 (UP).—It is authoritatively stated that industrial targets at Cologne were attacked last night. "Bursts were seen on important objectives and several large fires were started." Smaller forces attacked the docks at Boulogne. Bomber planes made a particularly successful raid on the enemy aerodrome at Lannion, Brittany, yesterday afternoon and destroyed several aircraft on the ground.

## Enemy Shipping Suffers: Convoy and Liner Sunk

LONDON, May 28 (Reuter).—Five armed trawlers were escorting a German supply ship of approximately 5,000 tons which was struck twice by heavy bombs dropped by an R.A.F. Coastal Command aircraft off Brest to-day.

The supply ship was left listing and settling down after the pilot of the British plane estimated that his second salvo "torpedoed" the ship below the water-line.

All the armed trawlers opened fire but the aircraft was hit only twice.

Steady Toll LONDON, May 28 (Reuter).—The steady toll which the Royal Navy is

taking of enemy troops and supplies bound for the Western Desert theatre of war is augmented by the sinking of an 18,000-ton liner and other vessels, announced to-day by Admiralty communique.

In addition to the destroyer referred to in the communique of May 23, this communique also stated that a troopship of about 9,000 tons, a 7,000-ton tanker and a very large ammunition schooner had been sunk, while a smaller schooner had been shelled and hit several times.

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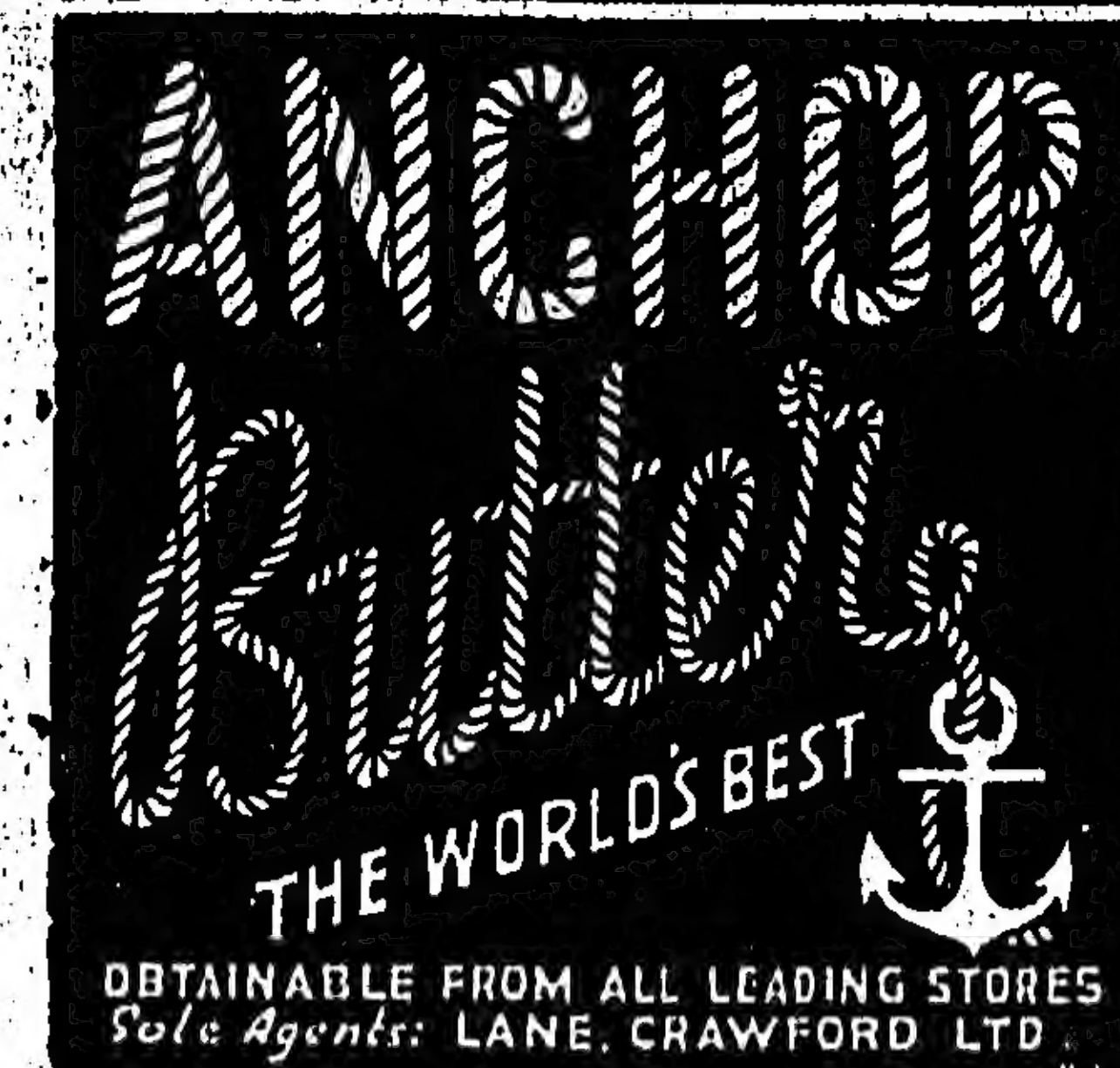






# DONALD DUCK

By Walt Disney



## GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"—and now Admiral Duffie, who kindly consented to address us on the subject of camouflage!"



A MOTHER AND HER NEWLY-BORN BABY about to leave a London hospital bombed by night raiders. They were evacuated into the country with a number of other patients.

## The German Officer

To-day . . .

### FOE WORTH BEATING

By MAJOR E. W. SHEPPARD

TO-DAY German officers are all over Europe, some in uniform, some disguised as technicians, tourists or advisers.

In the last war we all had a picture in our minds of the typical German officer—straight backed, stiff as a ramrod in his tight-fitting uniform and greatcoat, monocled, haughty, arrogant.

His mind was of a piece with his appearance. He knew his job, and little else besides.

He had a high sense of duty, a tremendous sense of caste and calling, and a queer code of honour to which he was utterly faithful.

That code enjoined on him a contempt for money and graft, a strict performance of duty, a meticulous knowledge of his profession and a ban on anything which might lower his own personal prestige as an officer, that of the German officer class, or that of the German Army.

### More Human, But

I wonder if he is the same to-day? His outward appearance has, of course, changed. So I think to some extent has his mental outlook.

He is more human, more approachable, more among his men, more at ease with them. He has learnt that from the French.

He goes in more for sport and tries, not always with success, to cultivate in himself and his troops a sense of humour. He learnt that from us.

And he has learnt all about the new weapons of war—the tanks, the aeroplanes, the motorised arms, the parachutists.

He learnt that, too, from other people—much of it from the despised Russians.

Has he lost his sense of religion? I fancy so, and I think he is the worse man for it.

### New Weaknesses

I fancy, too, he has lost something of his strict sense of honour. He is the worse man for that, too, in my view.

But his sense of duty is as high as ever. He still firmly believes in himself, in the class to which he belongs, in the army of which he is the chief ornament.

And he still believes in Germany, too—though not necessarily in Nazism or in Hitler.

He is a formidable fellow, this German officer of to-day. One may respect him, though hardly like him. He is a foe worth beating, and one whom it will take us a lot of trouble to beat.

But he can be beaten—and he will be, as he has been before.

And all the more certainly because he now has weaknesses foreign to his forefathers.

## Iron Weather Man In the Pacific

By Thomas R. Henry

On an isolated, uninhabited island in the Mid-Pacific the U.S. Navy's first iron sentry soon will mount guard—perhaps as the forerunner of an army of robots with copper brains to form cordons around the poles and walk posts across the seas.

The iron sentry will report every six hours. This first private of the robot army is being built, according to navy's specifications, by a commercial firm.

The model after which he is being constructed has been on duty for a year at the naval air station at Anacostia, D.C. During this time he never has been caught napping, and has required little attention. Four times daily he has looked around, made his observations, and radioed his reports, which are received reliably at distances of at least 200 miles from Washington.

His reports consist of the barometric pressure, the air temperature, the humidity, the force and direction of the wind, and the amount of rainfall. Each of these is recorded accurately on the copper brain and transformed immediately into radio impulses.

The worse the weather the better he likes it. His life blood is the wind, which constantly recharges the storage batteries, through a windmill on his head, which keep his brain in operation.

The robot was constructed by Dr Harry Diamond and his associates at the U. S. Bureau of Standards in co-operation with navy officers. The things he does now are only an indication of what he may be able to do as he grows up in the service, navy officers say. One of the jobs already forecast for him is to drift about in the Atlantic, keeping ships, land stations and planes informed of the weather ahead.

The robot was first proposed by Dr Willis Gregg, late chief of the U. S. Weather Bureau, at a meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science in Ottawa in 1938. At that time it was considered a futuristic dream.

Dr Gregg wanted these robots set up in a continuous sentry line around the Arctic Circle and over the interior of Greenland to keep the world informed of tempests striking southward from the North Pole.

The idea of robot weather observers, according to Dr Diamond, originated in Russia about 10 years ago. The Russian device was crude, but quickly became practical in the hands of the Bureau of Standards physicists.

The final result was the radiosent, sent aloft in a balloon to altitudes of nearly 30 miles to report by radio on conditions in the upper atmosphere, on which so much of the world's weather depends. These were all suicide flights at first. Now many of the radiosents are being recovered and put into service again.

The robot being put into service by the navy is a direct development from the radiosent. But whereas the former weighed less than a pound, this new iron brain weighs more than a ton, is built to operate indefinitely, and to withstand any sort of conditions.

In appearance the sentry of the storms will be a thoroughly unromantic fellow—merely a wooden box about eight feet square, with a windmill and some antennae on top. That is only the skin of the iron man.

## CHIEFTAIN CATRIONA WINS 5-YEAR FIGHT

Twenty-one-year-old Miss Catriona Maclean of Ardour, daughter of the former chieftain of the Clan Maclean, has won her five-year fight for the right to use her father's arms.

Her right had been challenged by Lieut-Commander Henry Hugh Maclean, a cousin of the late Ardour twice removed, who claimed that as heir-male, he was head of the family of Ardour.

In the Lyon Court, the Lord Lyon King of Arms had disallowed his claim in favour of Catriona, and the Second Division of the Court of Session, of Edinburgh, recently affirmed that judgment.



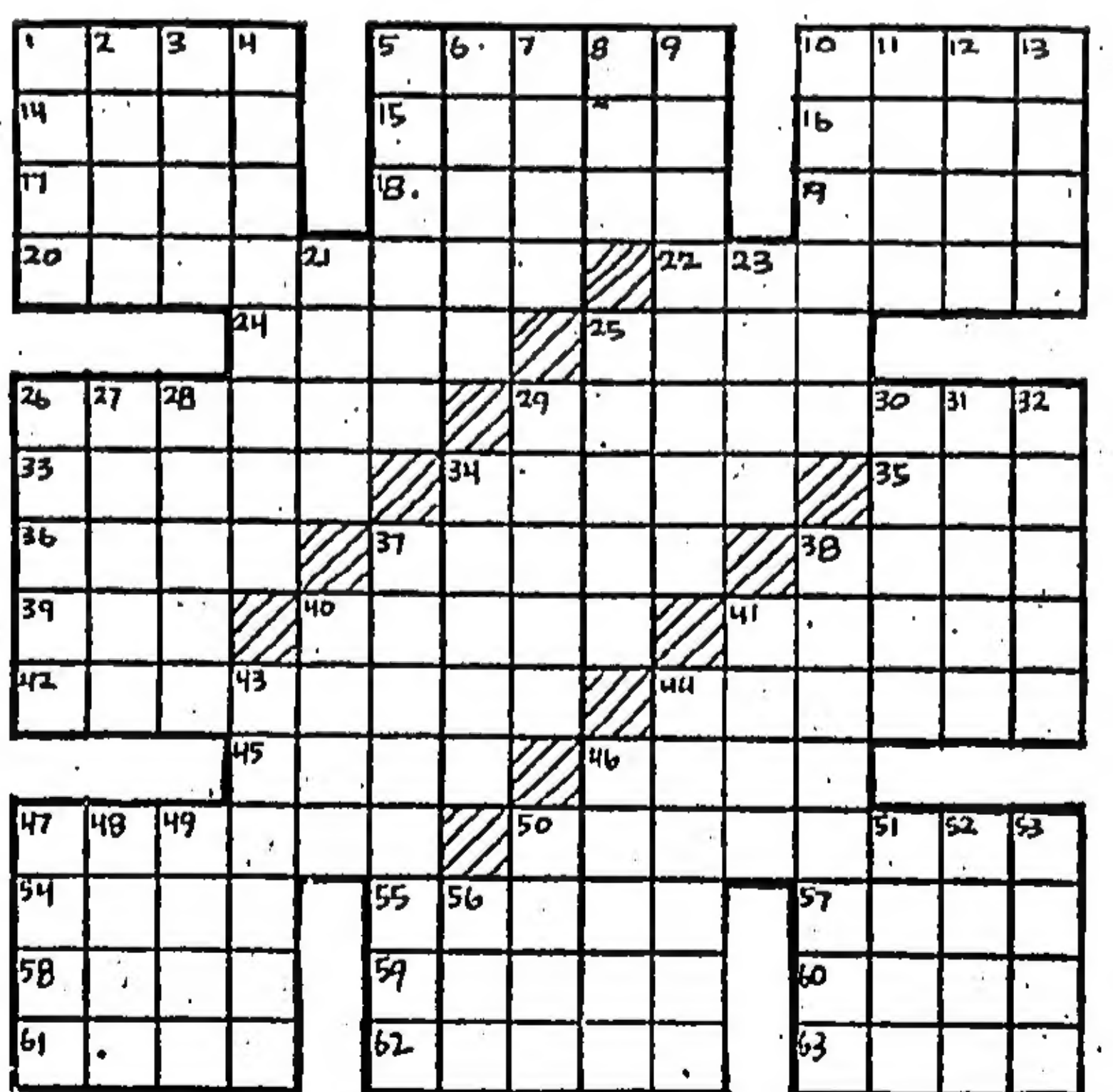
Miss Catriona Maclean

The Lord Justice Clerk pointed out that the commander did not possess a rood of ancestral land, and said the idea that a woman could not represent a heraldic bearing family appeared to him to be a mediaeval notion, appropriate perhaps to the ages of savagery, but having no relation to the realities of the modern world.

## Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

- ACROSS
- Wing-like
  - Package of bulky goods
  - Delicate crystalline glass
  - Twisted hemp
  - Like old woman
  - Opposite of a swastika
  - Level
  - Water-repelling wheel
  - Teller of falsehoods
  - Musical composition
  - Girl who asked for head of John the Baptist
  - Deported
  - Style
  - Kind of straw hat
  - Members of a religious
  - Awful dentistry
  - Symbolic religious object of American Indians
  - Alcoholic drink
  - Complete with
  - Provided with
  - Beating organ
  - Common border for ice-cream
  - Frozen water
  - Does by looking carefully
  - Stewie
  - Notion enemies of
  - Think over
  - Market
  - Domestic farm animal
  - Are possessions, as of person
- DOWN
- Land measure (pl.)
  - Accretion
  - One who mimics
  - Traitor
  - Kind of fruit
  - Positive voltaic pole
  - Italian money
  - Year
  - Spiced
  - Croquet club
  - Medley
  - Wilted joint
  - Whither
  - Alaskan city
  - Measures
  - Princely capital
  - Mineral plant
  - Pinner
  - Unfamed spots
  - Reg-shaped
  - Remove by sponging
  - With water
  - Exaggeration of contempt
  - Contaminate
  - Ornamental centerpiece (French)
  - Referring to musical composition
  - Peruse
  - Whisper
  - Parasol (obsolete)
  - One who puts into common fund
  - Slope
  - Preparing part
  - Prepare for publication
  - Whatever may be taught
  - Travel to Italy
  - Human garment
  - Separate entry
  - Yield
  - Drum
  - Drum



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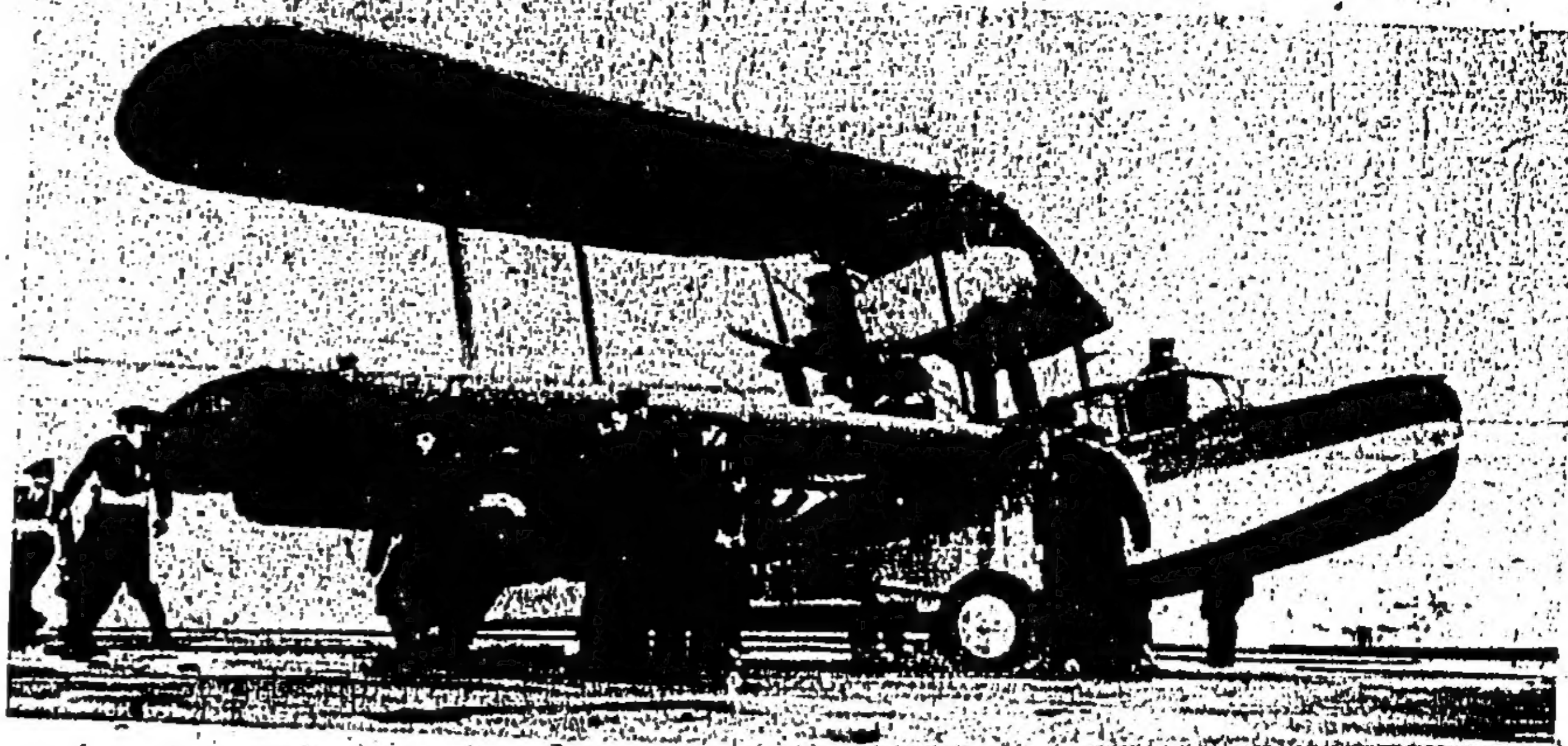
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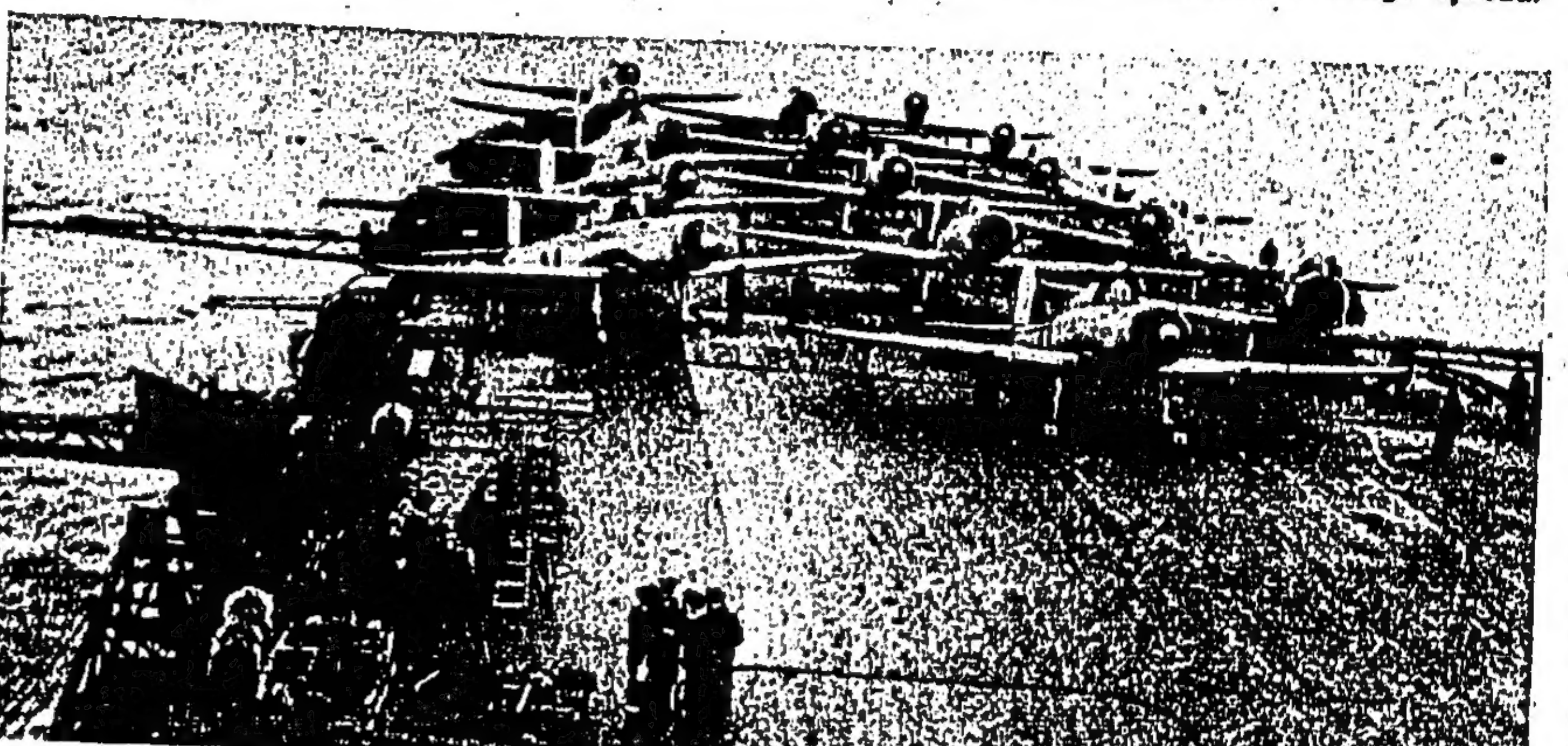
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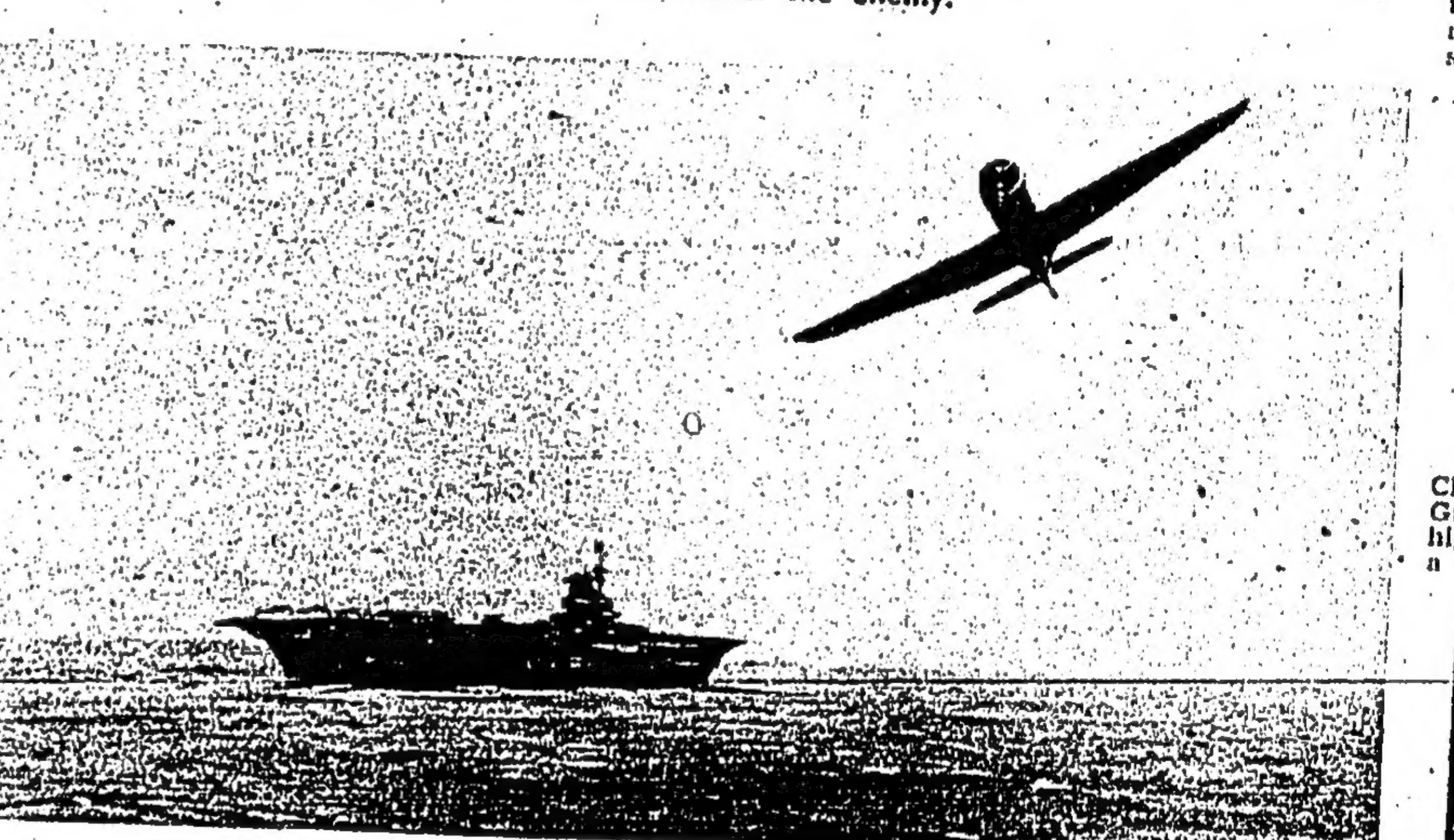
# FLEET AIR ARM PROVES STRENGTH AGAIN IN SINKING OF BISMARCK



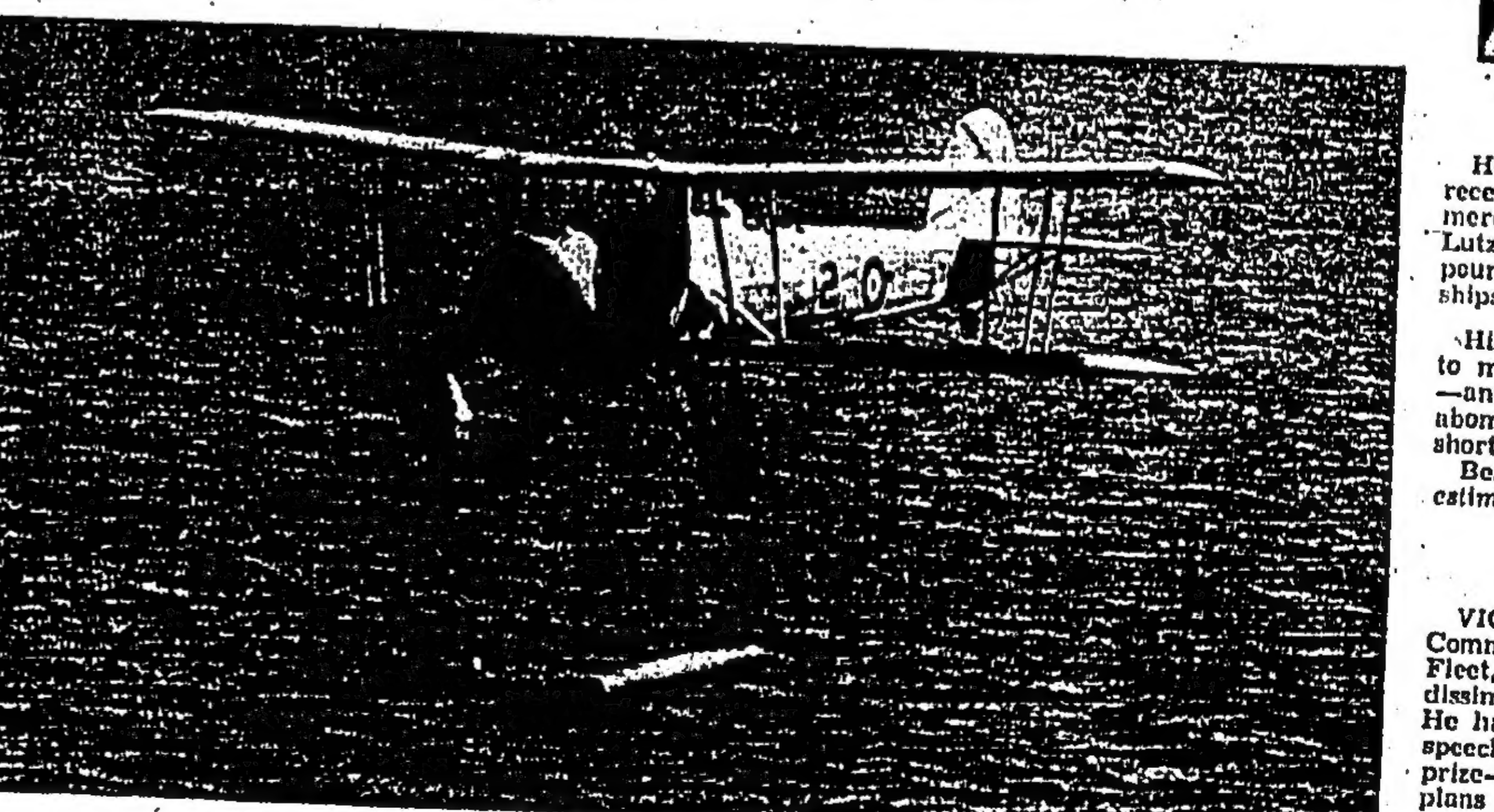
These official Admiralty pictures show how the Fleet Air Arm operates from an aircraft carrier. Here a plane has just come up through the well and is having its wings spread.



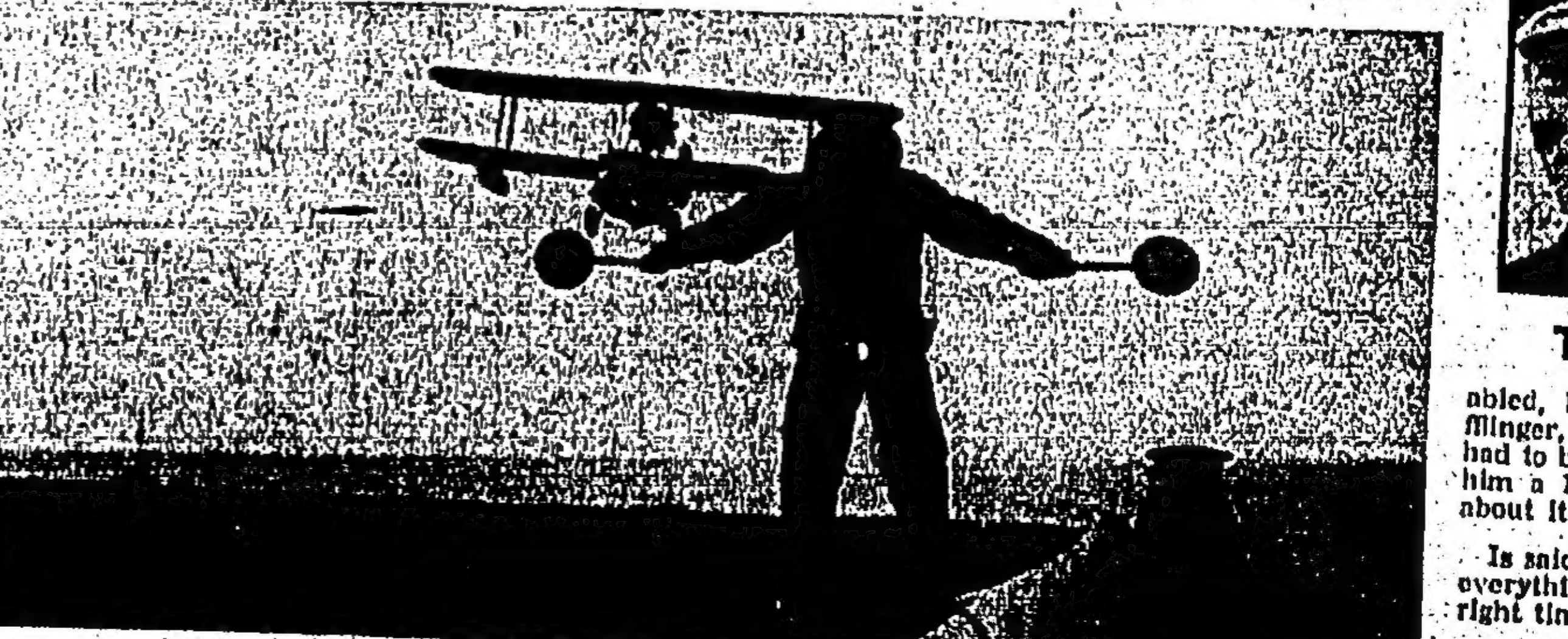
These are Blackburn Skua dive-bombers assembled on the deck of the carrier. They are ready to take off to attack the enemy.



An aircraft flying off to take part in the attack.



The Bismarck was damaged by torpedoes of this type, seen in this picture being launched from a Fairey Swordfish plane.



Return after a successful operation. Signals guide the landing on the aircraft carrier.

Details of the sinking of the giant Nazi battleship, Bismarck, as issued by the Admiralty and published in the "Telegraph" yesterday, have thrilled all Hongkong just as the news has excited the imagination of people all over the world.

The communique makes mention of the big part which aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm played in running down and shattering the enemy battleship. In the determined pursuit of the Bismarck by British naval forces seeking to avenge the chance sinking of H.M.S. Hood, the first blows were struck by naval torpedo aircraft from the aircraft carrier, Victorious. Subsequently, torpedo aircraft from the Ark Royal also attacked the Bismarck by the same means.

These successful attacks caused damage to the Nazi battleship and slowed it down, paving the way for its eventual dispatch to the depths by the surface battle fleet.

The Fleet Air Arm has by this latest exploit proved once again its strength and the effectiveness of aerial torpedo attack. The first big success secured by use of this method of warfare was at Taranto, when Mussolini's much-vaunted battle fleet was cut to pieces.

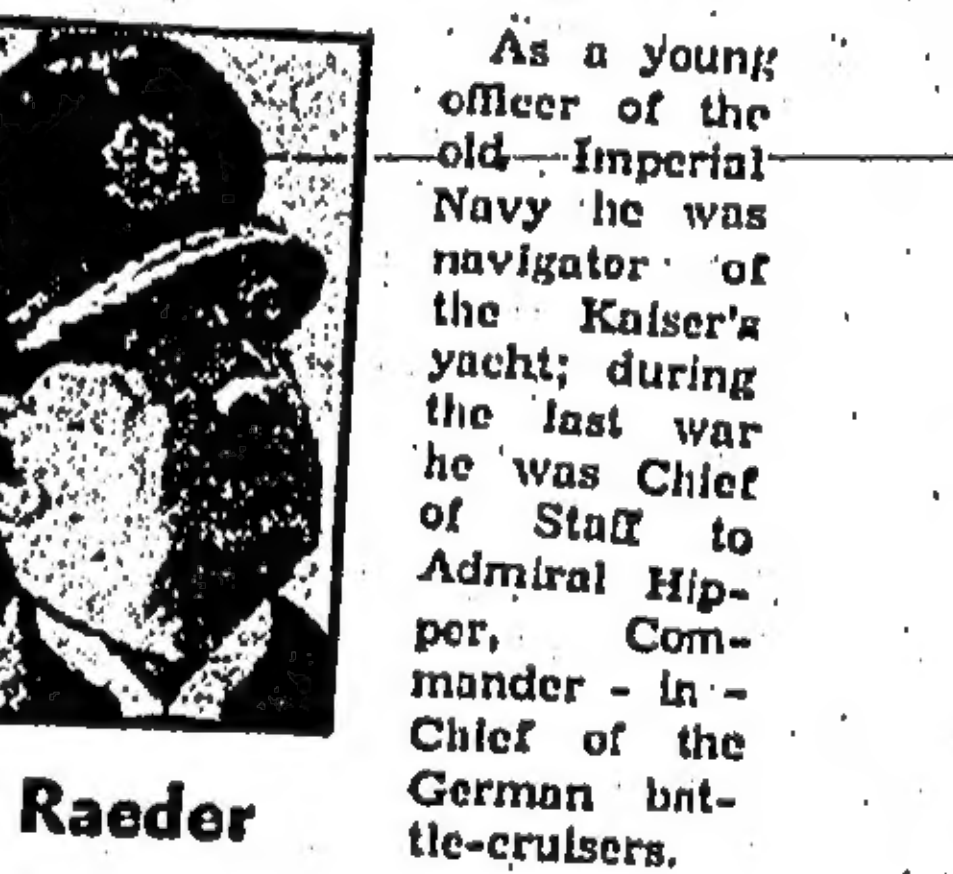
The development of flying for war purposes originated in the British Navy. Its earliest pioneers, who included Admiral Sir Cecil Talbot, now Director of Dockyards, and Sir Archibald Cochrane, until recently Governor of Burma, were submarine officers who understood the effectiveness of the torpedo as a weapon. During the past few years, and especially since the outbreak of the present war, this branch of the fighting services has been brought to a high pitch of efficiency.

The Fleet Air Arm is served by many types of aircraft, including dive-bombers and fighters, but the torpedo plane remains the speciality. One of the most striking features of the striking power of this method of warfare is that it is designed with a single eye to hitting the target with precision. Should the torpedoes, or the dive-bombers' bombs, miss their mark, civilians do not suffer, as British and other European civilian populations suffer so cruelly at the hands of German pilots. The Navy, true to its tradition, strikes fiercely at its enemy's armed forces, but spares non-combatants.—A. C. G.

## Opposite Numbers

### 4 NAVY CHIEFS

ERICH RAEDER, Commander-in-Chief of the Nazi Navy. His rank, Grand Admiral; his age, sixty-four; his reputation, shrewd, capable sailor, a martinet in discipline.

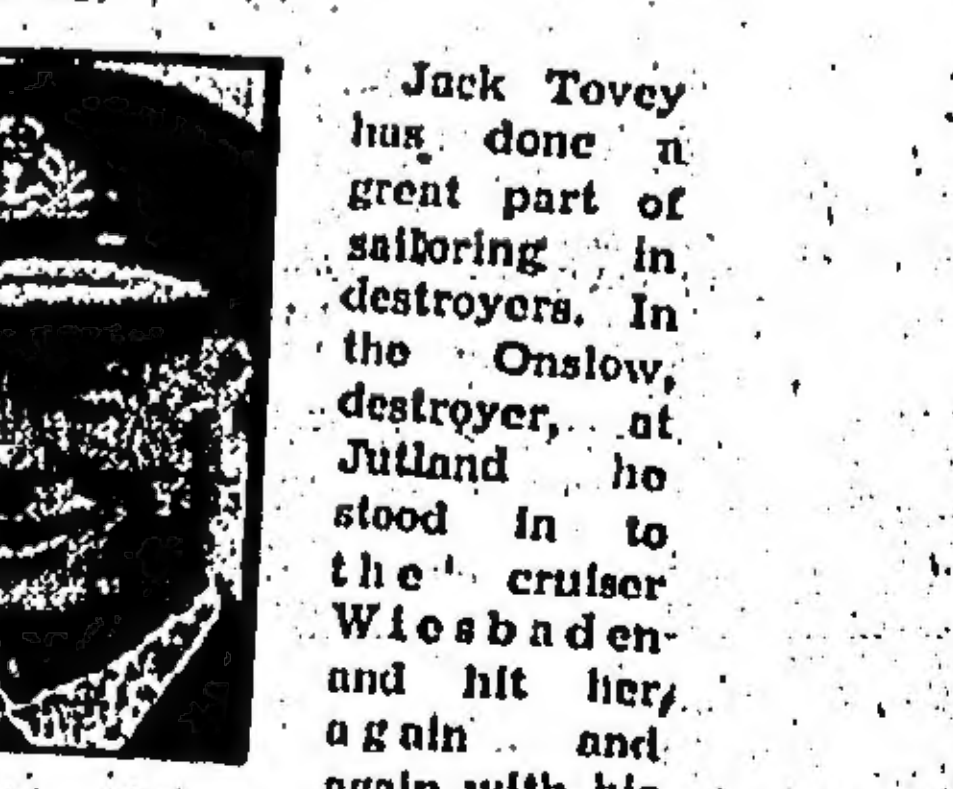


As a young officer of the old Imperial Navy he was navigator of the Kaiser's yacht; during the last war he was Chief of Staff to Admiral Hipper, Commander-in-Chief of the German battle-cruisers.

He knows what it is to be at the receiving end of the Royal Navy's merciless artillery. He was in the "Lutzow" at Jutland when she was pounded by the gunfire of our big ships, but Raeder escaped.

His chief amusements are listening to music—particularly Furtwangler's—and watching football. His chief abominations, women's short hair, short skirts, cosmetics and cigarettes. Best saying: "We do not underestimate England's strength."

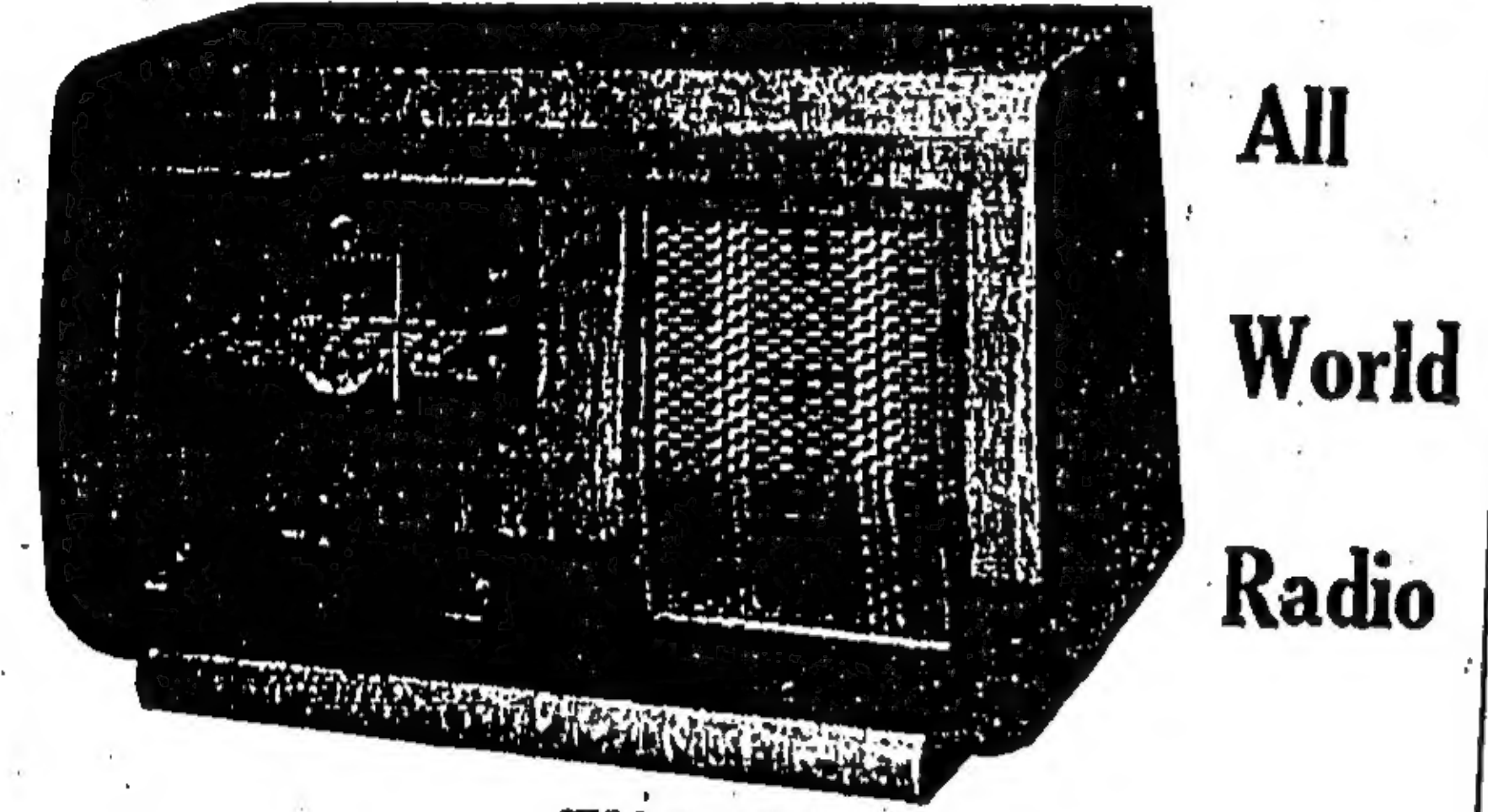
VICE-ADMIRAL J. C. TOVEY, Commander-in-Chief of the Home Fleet, has shown himself markedly dissimilar from his opposite number. He has been making no vaunting speeches, telling the world, like the prize-fighter of old, just what he plans to do.



Jack Tovey has done a great part of sailing in destroyers. In the Onslow, destroyer, at Jutland he stood in to the cruiser Wiesbaden and hit her again and again with his small guns. His craft disabled, he had a crack at the Derfflinger, a capital ship, and finally had to be taken in tow. All this won him a D.S.O. Kipling wrote a story about it.

Is said to be just the man to throw everything at the Germans when the right time comes.

Tovey (pronounced 'Tuvvy') is sixty, and in vigour a young man. The Navy to a man respects him. Best saying: "Tovey doesn't talk."



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ALREADY THE TOLL of lives amongst the civilian population of the British Isles, is heavy. Already, innocent children are being maimed and blinded. The scene is poignantly grim. Our folk who are in the midst of the holocaust come up smiling after every onslaught—ever though they have tears in their eyes and anguish in their hearts. They are Undaunted! Unconquerable!

THEY ARE ENCOURAGED by the great help they are receiving from their kindred nations overseas. In common with the rest of the Empire, Hongkong is helping. Nearly a year ago, the Bomber Fund was started, and thanks to the generosity and the sacrifice of many, over two million dollars have now been subscribed and placed at the disposal of the British Government for the purchase of bombers—so urgently needed to avenge the innocents who have fallen, and to smash the German war machine.

HONGKONG is doing well, but can do still better. There have been magnificent contributions to the Bomber Fund, and there has been great sacrifice on the part of some who have given again and again. Let it be remembered however, that the two million dollars would not have been recorded but for the humble gifts from those who could afford no more.

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### AMERICA DECLARES HERSELF

SOLEMNLY, President Roosevelt yesterday issued a warning to Herr Hitler as grave and purposeful as that delivered to Germany by President Wilson 24 years ago. In language, pregnant with meaning, the leader of the United States flung out his answer to the Fuehrer's challenge for world domination, giving added weight to his words by simultaneously proclaiming that a state of unlimited national emergency existed, and calling upon the entire nation to labour ceaselessly and willingly to prevent the disaster with which the Nazis and their cohorts threaten the universe.

As generally anticipated, many of the sentiments expressed by Mr. Roosevelt were reiterated, but he also announced two important new features of United States policy—vis-a-vis the European War which are bound to have far-reaching effects on its future development.

Without in as many words openly committing the U.S. to the employment of armed convoys for the conveying of vital war materials to Britain and the other democracies, the President referred with approval to the effectiveness of this system in the last World War, and added, with profound significance: "The blunt truth is that the present rate of Nazi sinkings of merchantmen is more than three times as high as the British replacement capacity, and more than twice the combined British and American output of merchantmen to-day. We can answer this peril by speeding up and increasing our great shipbuilding programme, and secondly by helping to cut down the losses on the high seas." It is doubtful whether any other sentence in the entire speech will ring so unpleasantly in Hitler's ears.

And if the Nazi leader is still capable of absorbing realistic facts in his perverted mind, surely Mr. Roosevelt's announcement that the United States already has taken, and will continue to take adequate steps to safeguard the nation's vital outposts, must give him cause to ponder. It means that the United States is now prepared to translate warnings into actions; the velvet glove of diplomatic conciliation is off; the iron hand of an implacable foe is exposed. Hitler stands warned by the great champion of the democracies.

The fact that Mr. Roosevelt's speech was directed essentially to Hitler does not mean that his challenging statements were intended to remain unheeded in other parts of the globe. Japan was clearly invited to ponder the President's words and to appreciate the meaning behind his tribute to the "magnificent defence of China."

In short, the entire world to-day now knows where America stands in relation to the conflict which is raging on three continents, and which is threatening a fourth. Unflinchingly, and with the aid of every resource at her disposal, the United States will defy and combat the Totalitarians, even if, in the final analysis, it involves her, like Britain and the other democracies, in total war.



# Japanese Deficiency In Science

Govt Stimulation Not Likely To Succeed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, May 28 (Domel).—The Government programme for accelerating progress in the scientific and technical branches as an essential part of the construction of national defence, was hailed by newspapers including the "Kokumin" and the "Yomiuri" this morning.

"Better late than never," these papers declare. Scientific and technical facilities in Japan are below world levels, these papers point out, blaming Japanese politicians' ignorance of and indifference to scientific matters for the situation.

Warning scientists and technicians against their excessive academic attitude, these papers urge the students of science and technical skill to turn their abilities to State purposes.

## Total Scientific Spirit

The "Kokumin Shimbun" says that the Japanese spirit has never been "unscientific" as many believe. This spirit must be made "more scientific" because a total war cannot be waged without the nation being armed with a scientific spirit.

While endorsing the proposed "new structure of scientific skill," the "Yomiuri Shimbun" is sceptical whether the proposed facilities for researches in science and technical skill will be realised. So many new Government offices have been created since the outbreak of the China campaign and yet these have failed to achieve their original aims, the paper warns.

# TRAIN FIRE TRAGEDY RECALLED

LONDON, May 28 (Reuter).—A verdict of accidental death was returned at the inquest to-day on the victims of a fire on a train in which boys from Ampleforth College, a Catholic school, including two sons of the Belgian Prime Minister, M. Hubert Pierlot, lost their lives.

The Coroner said that he had come to the conclusion that the fire started through lighted matches and cigarette ends being thrown about in fun and mischief by the boys, but he did not attach blame to any of them.

# A Zoological Monstrosity

Hitler Described

LONDON, May 28 (Reuter).—Hitler is a zoological monstrosity according to Professor Gerbrandt, Prime Minister of the Netherlands.

"Speaking in London to-day the Professor described Hitler as, 'this creature which combines the strength of the rhinoceros, the poison fangs of the snake and the stench of a polecat'—inspires only loathing and disgust because it clutches with dishonest hands at the tree of life planted in our Christian civilisation."

# Excessively Valiant Japanese Soldier Will Get Quick Promotion

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, May 28 (Domel).—Following recent changes in Army promotion regulations providing for two-grade elevations of meritorious officers, revised regulations governing the appointment of lower Army officers are being promulgated on May 29.

Non-commissioned officers including Sergeants, may be accorded officer commission immediately when their excessive valour is decided in the face of enemy are commended by Commander before the whole forces, or when the War Minister proclaims them as model soldiers to the whole Army. Similar distinguished treatment will be given to those who have made exceptionally brilliant contributions toward military matters.

When ends or non-commissioned officers eligible for officer commission have achieved such distinguished services the new regulations enable them to be promoted at once to the rank of Lieutenant instead of Sub-Lieutenant as hitherto.

Superior Privates may be appointed Sergeant without serving as Corporal according to the distinguished service regulations.

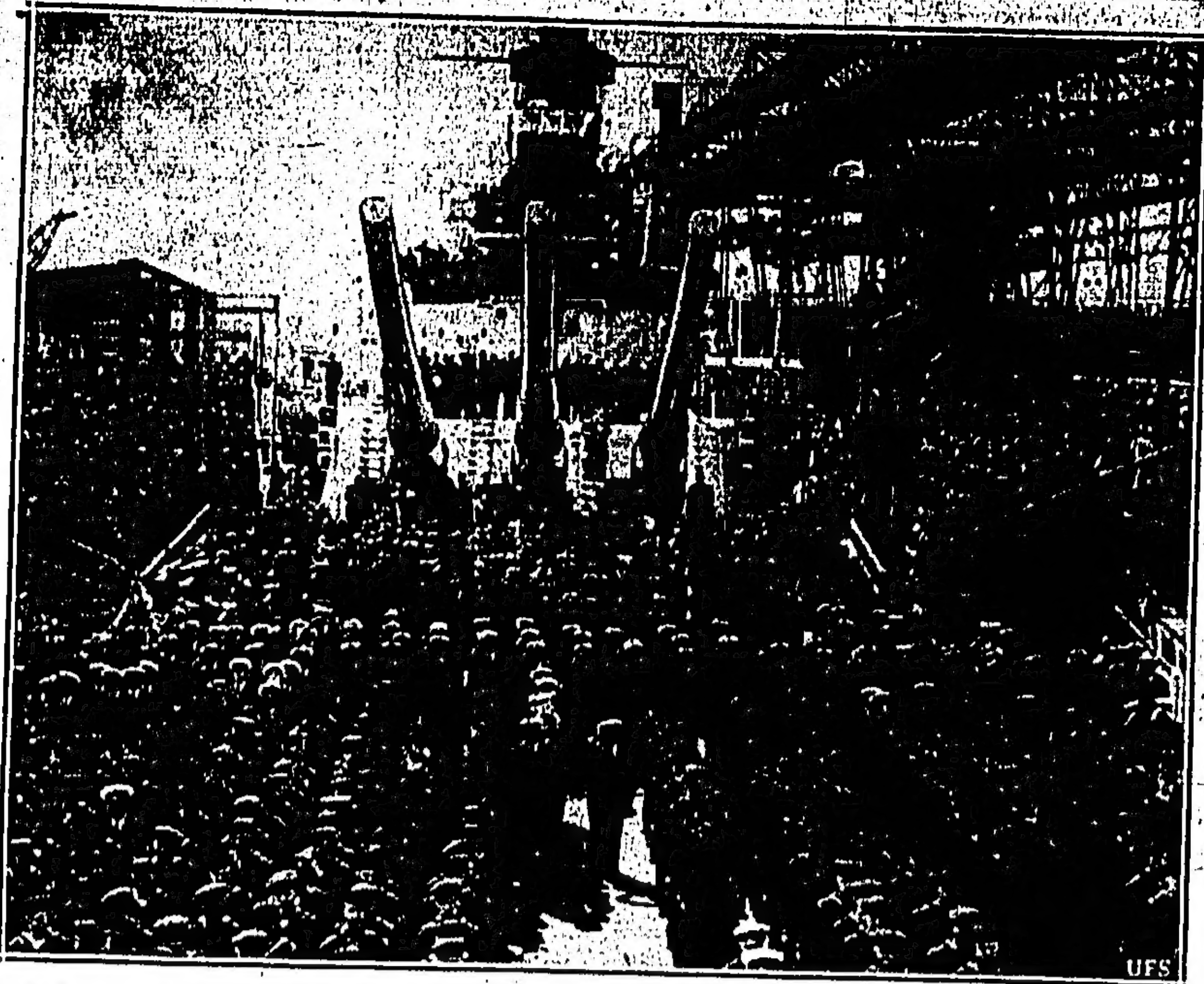
# PRINCE BERNHARD, AIRMAN, TELLS OF DUTCH EFFORTS

LONDON, May 28 (Reuter).—Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands recently wrote wings and appeared at a meeting in the uniform of an Air Commodore.

He announced that the "Prince Bernhard Fund" has now reached £1,200,000 which had brought 32 bombers manned by Dutch crews and operating from England. Seventy-nine fighters had been presented to the British Government. The Prince added, "Our army too, is getting ready. Extensive forces are now being trained in England and Canada."

## CURIOUS POLICE

A patrolman who stood in front of a barber shop in Brooklyn saw 14 men go in and saw 14 come out, none of them with shaves or new haircuts. He went in and found a book-maker taking bets on horses.



BIG SHIP—Crow stands at attention on the quarterdeck of the new U. S. battleship, North Carolina, as the sea fighter goes into commission at Brooklyn, N. Y., Navy Yard. Three of her nine 16-inch guns are seen. She carries 100 officers and 1,600 men and is the mightiest war vessel afloat.

# PARLIAMENT SHOULD HAVE YOUNGER BLOOD

A resolution carried at a meeting of the Central Council of the National Union of Conservative and Unionist Associations recently on the motion of Major Sir Derrick Gunston, M.P., emphasised the urgent need for enlisting in the public service younger people of proved capacity, and stated that "the possession of wealth or the backing of vested interests should never be tacitly accepted as a principal qualification for a local or Parliamentary candidature."

Sir Derrick said: "The prophet Joel spoke about young men seeing visions and old men dreaming dreams. The dictatorship countries are led by comparatively young men who have certainly seen visions through evil, of conquest and the brutal use of seemingly irresistible force."

"They provide a contrast to the democracies, who on the whole were led by old men who dreamed dreams of Europe before the days of Hitler, with an outstanding exception in the present Prime Minister, who was always awake to the dangers."

## Money Mind

Warning party selection committees against paying too much attention to the money asset in choosing candidates, he quoted the case of a man of means who was interviewed by a selection committee.

The committee asked him if he would agree to pay £200 election expenses, subscribe £500 a year to local charities. He said he would, and was then told he would be recommended as a proper person to represent them.

He replied: "But are you fit and proper persons to be represented by me? I have come to the conclusion you are not," and he put on his hat and walked out.

Sir Derrick asked: "Are you going to allow this iniquitous system to continue because you are too lazy to work and raise the subscriptions yourselves, with the result that unintentionally you do in fact sell to the highest bidder? If you put a premium on riches you tend to put a premium on age."

## Labour No Better

The Labour party was no better. "They may not have so many rich men, though, curiously enough, the parable about it being more difficult for a rich man to enter the Kingdom of Heaven than a camel to pass through the eye of a needle does not apply to a rich Socialist who wants to sit for a particularly Red seat."

# Life Is Good Now In Internment Camps

Conditions in the internment camps in Britain have been so much improved that those concerned with the welfare of refugees now want to get people into them instead of out of them. That is, of course, subject to the release of the ardent anti-Nazis who want to be in the struggle, writes a "Daily Herald" reporter.

The voluntary internees would be elderly refugees or those unable to find work.

The leader of one of the biggest refugee organisations, who has recently been to the Isle of Man, was enthusiastic about the reforms which have taken place.

"I cannot speak too highly," he said, "of the officials in charge of the camps."

"They are administering the new, humanised system admirably, and with the full co-operation of the internees."

"House and camp leaders have been elected by the internees, and they work excellently with the camp administration."

Camps which were cause for complaint are now running smoothly under the Home Office.

"This is partly due to the fact that the wholesale, indiscriminate internment of anti-Nazis is being remedied."

Likely To Close

"When the panic-internment took place after the invasion of the Low Countries, camps were grossly overcrowded and the administration disastrously overworked."

"Now the internee population of

The Labour bugbear is the vested interests of the trade unions," he said.

He had discovered the ages of 529 M.P.s. Out of them 89 per cent. were over 40, while if the old-age pension was given on age alone about one in three would receive the old-age pension.

## Give Youth A Chance

Sir Derrick concluded: "We must see that the best of our splendid youth—who have proved themselves in the fire of battle and have dedicated their lives to the nation in war-time must not be frustrated from serving here in peace."

Mrs Tate, M.P., opposing the resolution, said she had seen young M.P.s fall asleep in the House, but "I have watched Mr Lloyd George, Earl Winterton, and the Prime Minister. They never fall asleep. There are young people there whose mouths fall gently open before their meal because of the vacuity of their minds and fall gently open after the meal because they are asleep," she said.

# Death Of Wealthy Charity Worker

Mrs Pilar Advincula-Javellana, wealthy charity worker and philanthropist, died suddenly of heart failure at Iloilo, P.I., recently.

She was the wife of Angel Javellana, one of the wealthiest landowners and businessmen of Iloilo, and was specially prominent in religious activities.

She was an aunt and adopted mother of Mrs Juanita Javellana-Ledesma, wife of the Iloilo City mayor and acting provincial governor, Oscar Ledesma.

# If Nazis Use Blister Gas

PHARMACIES throughout Great Britain are to be asked to help in a scheme to make bleach cream available for members of the public if the enemy uses blister gas. This has been disclosed in the "Lancet."

The proprietor of each pharmacy, having been provided by the authorities with two enamel pails and 14lb. of tropical bleach cream in the pails, is to be asked, as soon as gas is used, to mix bleach cream in the pails, and if blister gas is being dropped in the vicinity to place the pails of cream on the pavement outside his shop with a poster instructing the public how to apply it.

# Man Choked By Steak

MR JOHN WOOD NEWTON, forty-one-year-old company director, who had important war contracts with the U.S. aircraft industry, was entertaining a friend in a West End restaurant to a luncheon of smoked salmon and beefsteak, when he began to cough and change colour. Assisted downstairs by his friend, he collapsed and died.

At the inquest held in Westminster, Sir Bernard Spilsbury said death "was due to a large piece of meat 'going down the wrong way.'"

A verdict of "Death by misadventure" was returned by the coroner, Mr Bentley Purchase.

# BBC Ban Now Lifted

Churchill Explains

Announcement by the Prime Minister that the B.B.C. had lifted its ban on artists who supported the People's Convention followed many protests on the subject.

The ban applied to Michael Redgrave, the film star; Miss Betteke Lehmman, the actress; Mr Lew Stone, band leader, and many other well-known people.

Dr R. Vaughan Williams, the composer, withdrew a choral song as a protest after the B.B.C. banned the works of Dr Alan Bush, of the Royal Academy of Music.

Mr Churchill told the House of Commons recently that while it was no part of the Government's policy to accord the facilities of the microphone to persons whose words or actions might hamper the nation, the connection between these and musical performances was not apparent.

# First Edition Of Keats Sold

In 1874 John Addington Symonds, the critic and poet, presented a copy of the first edition of Keats' "Endymion," 1818, to his bosom friend, Prof. A. C. Bradley. At Sotheby's recently Mr Ernest Maggs gave £72 for it.

A rare survivor of St Jerome's "Lives of the Fathers," printed in 1495 at Westminster by Caxton's successor, Westminister, Wynken de Worde, brought £200. There was good bidding for books in two days, the sale totalling nearly £23,000.

# Cheque For Bombers

Sent To London

Owing to upwards of \$135,000 being received in donations yesterday, for the Bomber Fund, and the total reaching over \$2,118,600, it was possible to send a very large instalment to the British Government towards the purchase of aeroplanes.

The South China Morning Post, Ltd. remitted yesterday the sum of £14,000, the equivalent of H.K. \$224,467.04.

# British Control Law Test

A Yale clinical professor of medicine, Silber Tileston, filed suit recently in New Haven challenging the constitutionality of Connecticut's birth control ban.

He asked a declaratory judgment so he could prescribe for three women patients without fear of prosecution.

It was a matter of "life or death," he said, that these women be instructed in birth control practices.

Early last year, the court reversed a lower court decision voiding the law. As a result, the Connecticut Birth Control League closed nine clinics and at the current session of the legislature supported a bill repealing the 70-year-old act.

# Captives Work For Nazis

Supply From France

In compliance with insistent demands by the Germans that certain foreigners detained in French concentration camps should be sent to work in Germany, 140 Russians interned in the Vernet camp in the Pyrenees and 1,000 penniless Jugo-slavs from various camps in France have been turned over to the Nazis.

The Russians, who have been held in French jails since May, 1937, were accused of taking part in kidnapping the White Russian General Eugene Miller, who disappeared on Sept. 22, 1937, and was never found again.

# Wanted Rouge For 1977

Rouge and face powders are short in Britain. The hoarders know it, but what do they care!

"A woman came in last week and demanded 30 boxes of a certain type of rouge," an assistant at a West End beauty counter told a reporter.

"I pointed out to her that each box would last her a year, and that what she was trying to buy was a 30 years' supply."

"That annoyed her. She seemed to think I was very impertinent to mention it."

"After all, when a box of rouge is going to last a minimum of twelve months it might be reasonable for a woman to ask for two boxes, or even three."

# Delay In Riom Trials

The lack of energy shown by the Riom Court in getting on with the trial of a number of French political and military leaders, among whom are the ex-Premiers, MM. Daladier, Reynaud and Blum, and the former C-in-C, Gen. Gamelin, is described as "suspicious" in some Spanish quarters.

According to the latest reports, which are not denied by the Press of unoccupied France, the trial has once more been postponed.

The Paris correspondent of the Madrid newspaper "ABC" states that allegations made by the accused against former high officials who are now important members of the Vichy Administration have made the Riom Court "afraid to let the cat out of the bag."

# RESPITE FOR BRITAIN

LONDON, May 28 (Reuter).—Only a few enemy aircraft flew inland and only for short distances from daybreak until this afternoon, says the Air Ministry.

During the afternoon, an enemy bomber was shot down by British fighters over southeast Scotland.

## Bomber Down

LONDON, May 28 (Reuter).—British fighters shot down an enemy bomber in southeast Scotland this afternoon.

# INDIAN PRESS VISIT

A party of 16 newspaper representatives from India and one official photographer arrived in Singapore from Madras recently on a tour of Malaya arranged under the auspices of the Government of India.

## SIX MEN'S TASTE

The "New York Daily News" inquiring reporter asked six men which of them would choose for an evening if he could choose and who would be chosen. All named girls from the movies, none named their wives.



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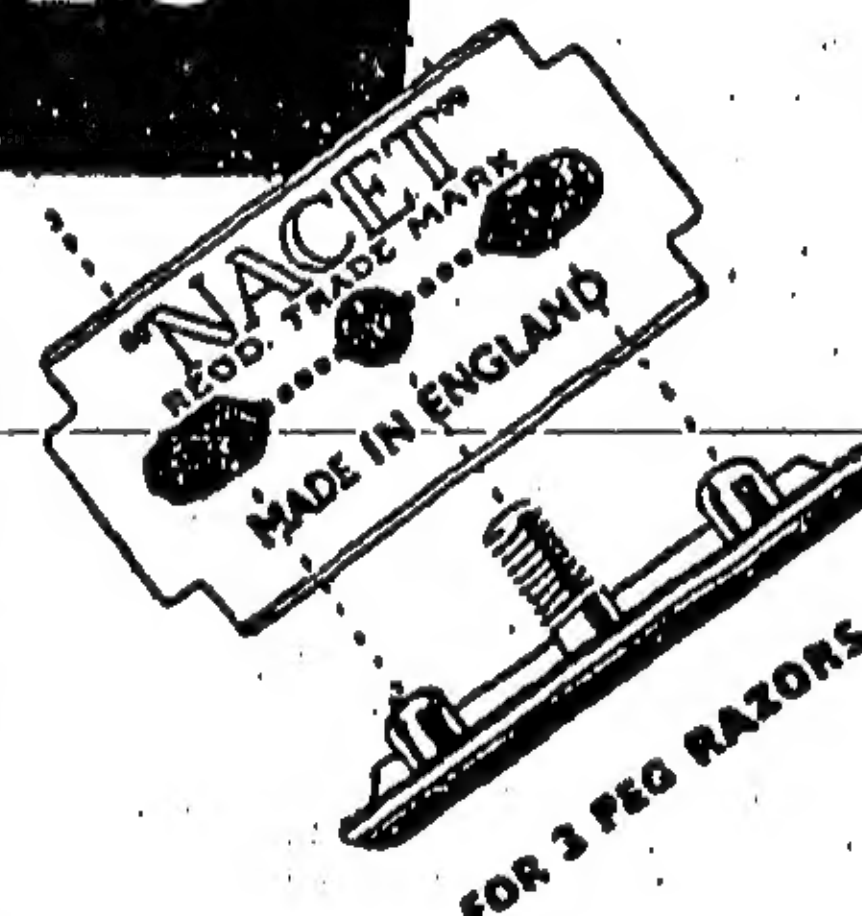
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# NANCY



# DUTCH TRICK ON GERMANS

A Dutch professor said his countrymen launched two submarines after the Germans invaded Holland and this happened: One, carrying a Dutch crew and a few German officers, kept right on going at its launching until it reached England; The second carried a German crew to its death.

The story of the submarines, said Dr Peter de Bruyn, 31, of Londen, Holland, was typical of the way the Dutch were resisting the German occupation.

Dr de Bruyn, who is now in America with his wife and two children, said the first submarine was nearly completed at a Rotterdam shipyard when the Germans invaded the country.

The Germans told the shipyard to continue their work, he said, adding that when the vessel was completed the Germans put aboard a Dutch crew and a few Nazi officers. "The sub kept right on going at the launching to England," he said. "Our grapevine in Holland told us that the sub arrived safely."

**Executed Workers**  
When the second submarine was finished a few months later, the Germans put an all-German crew aboard, he said, and declared:

"This submarine went down—the bottom."

The Germans were reported by him to be so incensed that they executed 30 engineers and ship workers and executed 18.

Dr de Bruyn is to teach neurology at the University of Chicago.

# ALASKA HIGHWAY SCHEME

Assurances of British Columbia's desire to co-operate in constructing an 1800-mile highway linking the United States and Alaska were given by Premier T. D. Pattullo of British Columbia to the Alaska International Highway Commission recently.

The highway would be used to transport supplies to U. S. military bases in Alaska.

The Commission, of which Representative Magnusson, Democrat, Washington, is chairman, went into a closed session to discuss possible routes and ways of financing the project, which would cost an estimated \$25,000,000.

After both governments have agreed on the route and financing, a treaty would be drawn.

Members of the Commission said two general routes were under consideration. Each would extend to Fairbanks, Alaska, from the highway that now terminates at Fort St. James, B.C. One route would include Atlin and White Horse. Another would run through Finlay and Dawson.

# BIGGEST BOMBER

The largest and most powerful bombing plane in the world, which has just been completed at a United States factory, is shortly to begin a trans-Atlantic test flight.

It is the B-29 Superfortress B 19 which is capable of operating across the Atlantic with a load of 18 tons of explosives.

The craft has accommodation for a crew of ten, has a cruising speed of 180 miles per hour, and could carry 125 men with equipment.

# Canadian Wheat For China

A Toronto newspaper has announced that arrangements are under way to give the Chinese people 15,000 tons—about half a million bushels—of Canadian wheat.

While entirely sympathetic to such a suggestion, officials of the Dominion departments concerned are not very hopeful that such a gift can be delivered.

There are two obvious obstacles in the way—lack of ships in the Pacific and activity of the Japanese Navy.

The Chinese war relief committee was credited with having the scheme in hand.

# Bomber Fund Gets Boost

The War Fund inaugurated by the South China Morning Post, Ltd., and popularly known as the Bomber Fund, passed the two million dollar mark quite easily yesterday, when the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation sent a second donation of the magnificent sum of \$100,000.

In addition, the Tai Kok Dockyard and Engineering Company donated \$20,000, and the Standard and Lady Grayburn (a second contribution) sent a cheque for \$10,000. With a number of other donations, some of them sent in commemoration of the sinking of the German battleship Bismarck, the total reached yesterday was \$2,110,581.05.

Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation (second donation)	\$100,000
Tai Kok Dockyard and Engineering Co., of Hongkong, Limited	20,000
Mr. & Mrs. C. M. Hall (second donation)	500
Sir Vandeleur and Lucia Burn (second donation)	10,000
G. C. W. (seventh donation)	500
Cathay Oceanic (Hongkong) Ltd.	50
Another Frybro Board per Bill (fourth donation)	17
Anonymous	2,000
"Bismarck Sinking—D. A. T. Galt"	5
All Banks, Commercial and Savings, The Royal Scots (eighth donation)	50.50
Mr. T. J. P. (fifth donation)	50
M. E. P. S. (fifth donation)	50
H.D. (in lieu of flowers for young Bismarck)	25
The Central Trading Co., Ltd.	10
"Von Tirpitz next, please"	10
Kowloon Women's Sewing Party (fourth donation)	50
Anonymous, Haiphong	150
Sale of "There'll Always be an England"	50
Tong Fook Piano Co. per Miss Helen Wiles	21.75
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**EUGENICS LEAGUE**  
The Hongkong Eugenics League gratefully acknowledges the following subscriptions and donations thus far received following the annual meeting at the Gloucester Hotel, May 6, 1941. The Treasurer wishes to announce that the financial drive for 1941-42 is now in progress, and that new subscriptions and donations will be gratefully welcomed.

Mr. Lawrence Kadoorie, \$50; Mr. J. H. Lee, \$25; Dr. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke, \$25; Professor Gordon Ming, \$25; Dr. and Mrs. W. Kirk, \$25; Mr. W. Stanton, \$25; Dr. J. Lancaster, \$20; Dr. Li Shu-fan, \$20; Dr. and Mrs. Li Shu-fan, \$20; Miss A. Davies, \$20; Dr. S. Y. Cheng, \$20; Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Gooden, \$10; Dr. T. J. Hua, \$10; Mrs. H. Kennedy-Skipkin, \$10; Mr. H. C. Laner, \$10; Mr. P. W. K. \$10; Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Montgomery, \$10; Mr. Ngan Shing-kwan, \$10; Dr. H. W. Cheng, \$10; Mrs. J. Gitter, \$10; Mrs. F. W. Kendall, \$10; Dr. Daphne Chun, \$10; Mr. Vago, \$10; Dr. and Mrs. K. C. Yee, \$10; Mr. D. O. Silver, \$10; Miss Edna E. \$10; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wong, \$10; Mr. A. H. Barwell, \$10; Miss Mai Chien-ting, \$10; Miss A. Yoon, \$10; Mrs. Lum, \$10; Yen, \$10; Anonymous, \$10; Anonymous, \$10; Dr. T. P. Wu, \$10.
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# Found Expense Too Great

**Officer's Letter**  
An officer who appeared at a court-martial at the Duke of York's Headquarters recently was said to have stated in a letter given to his commanding officer: "The mode of living in the company has been far too expensive for one who has to rely entirely on his army pay as a lieutenant."

The officer, Lieut William O'Reilly-Patney, of the London Irish Rifles, was alleged to have applied a cheque for £35 received for the Imperial fund to his own use.

In evidence he said he had no intention of defrauding the fund. He was going to pay the money back from a legacy, but payment of the legacy had been held up because he had gone bankrupt some years ago. The court's findings were to be made known later.

# Flanders General Said Freed

Count de Brinon, Vichy's representative in Paris, is reported to have stated that Gen. Prioux, who commanded the 27th Army Corps and was a prisoner in Germany, has been released on parole by the German authorities.

Gen. Prioux's army, trapped in Flanders, after fighting a gallant rearguard action, made desperate efforts to cut a way through at Cassel, 20 miles south of Dunkirk. On May 30 the Germans claimed to have captured the general and his staff.

# BRITAIN HAS NO REGRETS

Daphne du Maurier, author of "Rebecca," broadcast to Canada and America recently on the spirit of Britain.

The occasion was the American and Canadian publication of her latest book, "Come Wind, Come Weather."

With Miss du Maurier at the microphone was Tom Osborne, a bombed-out grocer from East Ham, and one of the characters in "Come Wind, Come Weather."

Britons don't hanker after the things that are gone, said Miss du Maurier. In spite of suffering and separation, the spirit of everybody in Britain is that the past is closed for ever, and they look to the future.

Royalties from "Come Wind, Come Weather" in Canada and Britain, will go to the Soldiers', Sailors' and Airmen's dependents.

# DARING RESCUE IN AFRICA

Further details of the daring rescue of a British pilot from an enemy aerodrome by a colleague flying a single-seater fighter have been made known recently by the Air Ministry.

The incident occurred after Diredawa aerodrome, Abyssinia, had been attacked by a South African squadron, which destroyed at least 10 Italian planes.

The rescued pilot, a D.F.C. captain, said: "I was forced to land and was just going to set fire to my machine when I noticed another pilot of my flight firing at enemy troops to keep them away from me. I never dreamed he would land, for anti-aircraft guns were firing at him continuously."

"When I saw he had landed I ran as fast as I could and climbed on the plane, clinging to his shoulders as he taxied along with the Italians firing at us all the time. Eventually we made a pretty good take-off."

All the rescuer would say was: "It wasn't very comfortable with two of us in the cockpit."

# Stockings Go Gay In America

A NEW stocking fashion is sweeping America. Women by the thousand are wearing coloured peasant stockings. They are the last word in smartness.

The stockings are full length and are made in two varieties—one of wool for country and sportswear and the other of sheer silk for more dressy occasions. The colours are vivid and gay.

The hile are made in such shades as lemon yellow, deep lavender, bright pink and have matching gloves. They are worn for dancing and can be made by home knitters to blend with their dresses. Many of the wool stockings are made in an open lace pattern which allows the stocking to fit the leg like a "glove." This eliminates the bulkiness of the old-fashioned wool stocking.

Three of my oldest customers have brought back the mugs they kept in my shop 25 years ago," said another. "They say they can't be bothered to hunt for blades, and come in every morning for a shave."

# WHAT CAUSES WARS

Sir Robert B. Greig, speaking recently at Stirling Rotary Club, said that unless we succeeded in getting over the difficulties of geographical boundaries, we were bound to have another war in 20 or 25 years time.

So long as geographical boundaries existed, when each little or large nation desired to maintain its prestige, desired to make itself wealthy at the expense of its neighbour, and had the backing of science, we were bound to have continual anarchy.

"Science will run away from us, unless we shall destroy civilization unless there is a controlling power, and the first controlling power should be that of the prevention of war, because without peace we cannot hope to make use of the enormous potential wealth which science offers us."

Therefore, unless we have a Federal Union which has an overriding government over and above national sovereignties, I do not see how we can prevent war."

Federal Union was a bigger thing than a mere matter of Government machinery, and if adopted by peace-loving nations would give undoubtedly a stimulus to the spiritual side of mankind, which would go a long way in hastening the development of civilization on the right lines.

# FLORAL SHAVING MUGS ARE BACK

Nobody would have believed it possible, but the time has come to drag grandfather's shaving mug from among dust and cobwebs in the attic and whisk it down to the barber shop.

Barbers in London report a shaving boom because of a shortage of razor blades. Old-time initialled shaving mugs are appearing on shelves. Girls wielding electric razors have been recruited to help meet the rush.

"I've put out my barber's pole—the centuries-old badge of my trade," said one barber. "I'm back at the old business of shaving. Since they kept in my shop 25 years ago," said another. "They say they can't be bothered to hunt for blades, and come in every morning for a shave."

# Drury Lane Is Strangest Theatre In World To-day

The Theatre Royal, Drury Lane, is the strangest theatre in the world to-day. No play has been performed there since just before the war. The theatre is now the headquarters of ENSA, the organisation which has sent 53,000 shows to entertain the forces.

But the hustle and bustle, and the telephones and temporary offices in every spare corner have not destroyed the unique atmosphere of "The Lane." In one room, called "Theatre Control," thirty columns of cards on the wall show the movement of shows for nine weeks ahead—revues in blue, plays in green, bands in yellow, and so on.

But this bare, yellow-distressed room is Garrick's dressing room, and Edmund Kean's and Macready's and Irving's, and every leading male actor's at Drury Lane for the last 270 years.

Next door is "Ladies' dressing room." This is the Green Room, where the actors met and talked with their friends, where bad-tempered Charles Macklin, the first man to play Shylock as a serious character, killed his brother actor, Hallam, in dispute about a wig for which he was severely censured and suspended for three months.

**Garrick's Mirror**  
On the wall is a big mirror in which Garrick used to take a last look at himself before going on the stage.

In another little room now labelled "Publicity Office," and occupied by W. Macquenn, Pope, whose family have been connected with Drury Lane since 1740, every leading lady from Sarah Siddons to Mary Clare has dressed.

The great auditorium is half-curtained off to hide the effects of a bomb which fell a few months ago. A young girl, one of dozens who come for auditions in the hope of joining ENSA shows, was singing to empty stalls covered with dustsheets. On her right was the box in which every King of England since Charles II. has sat.

From this box George II. waved the Duke of Cumberland's despatches that the Young Pretender had been beaten at Culloden Moor.

**Royal Room An Office**  
The royal room behind the box is now an office. From it are controlled the munition factory entertainments.

The box-office is the contracts department, and the famous Rotunda, where George III. clouted his son, later George IV., in front of the assembled company, is a rehearsal room.

The long Regency bar is partitioned off into a long row of offices. "The Last Mile" they call it now.

The stalls bar, wrecked by the nosecap of the bomb, has been done up. Now it is the home of ENSA broadcasts. The staff bar is the air raid shelter.

The room where Sheridan wrote "The School for Scandal" is now, with its blitzed ceiling, ENSA's board room.

# YELLOW FEVER CARRIER

After months of scientific research in South America, the Rockefeller Foundation recently reported what was considered important progress in the fight on yellow fever.

Raymond B. Fosdick, president of the Foundation, said that institute scientists had come to the tentative conclusion that yellow fever was primarily a disease of jungle animals, transmitted to human beings by mosquitoes.

The animals, bitten by the mosquitoes, do not carry the virus for more than a few days, but it is then transmitted to other mosquitoes, which harbour it for the remainder of their lives.

# New Species

The Foundation has also discovered two new mosquito species that carry yellow fever, in addition to the identified *Aedes aegypti*. The new species are known as the *sabine* and the *harringtoni*.

Dr Fosdick reported, too, that the Foundation had prepared more than 1,000,000 doses of yellow fever vaccine for the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan, the U.S. Army and the U.S. Public Health Service.

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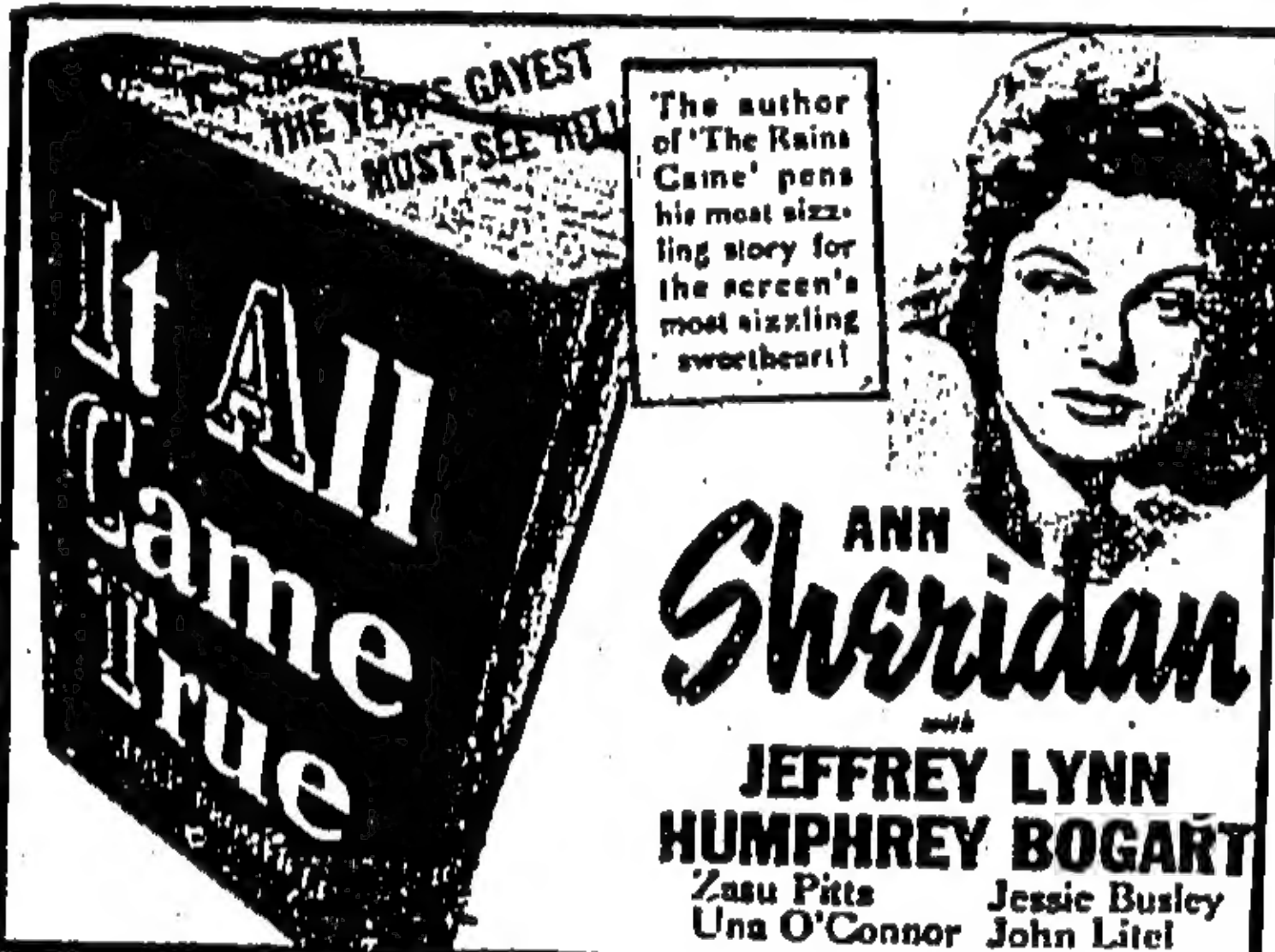
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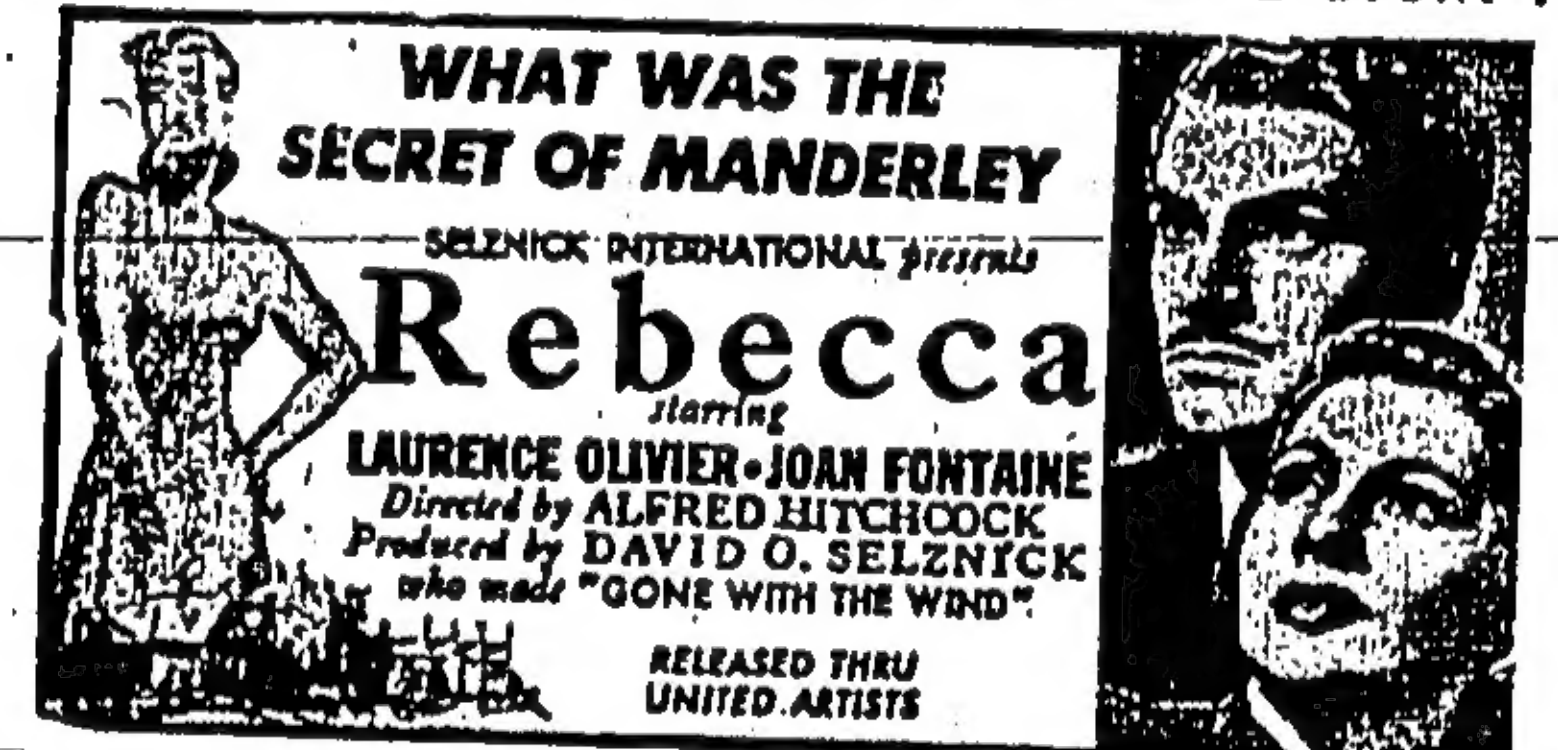
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## Reactions To Roosevelt Vary: Convoy Issue To Be Explained

ZURICH, May 28 (Reuter).—The first press comments show keen disappointment over President Roosevelt's speech which, according to the "Basler Nachrichten," added nothing to what he had already said before.

"If America has decided to enter the war, it is difficult to understand why she does not fulfil this decision in the hour of the greatest need of her Anglo-Saxon friend," says the paper.

The paper assumes that American public opinion is still unprepared.

The article adds: "The declaration of a state of emergency in the United States is regarded as hastening the American entry into the war because it shows that President Roosevelt expects a long transition period. Therefore, he obtained powers which, as C-in-C, he would automatically acquire if war were declared."

### Freedom of Seas

CANBERRA, May 28 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt's insistence on the "freedom of the seas" in his momentous speech is regarded in authoritative Federal circles as having tremendous significance.

It is believed that this reference, coupled with the proclamation of a state of unlimited national emergency, will lead to abandonment of the previously proclaimed defence zones to wider use of American ships in the areas from which they hitherto have been debarrd and to unhesitating use of force in resisting any attack on them.

### Conference

WASHINGTON, May 28 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt is to hold a special press conference late this afternoon, at which he is expected to clear up the question of convoys. Mr. Stephen Early, the President's Secretary, announced this morning that the President's speech had left some confusion as regards the convoy issue, he replied: "I think he will clear that up this afternoon and I would rather that he did it."

Repeating to a question whether President Roosevelt's plea to all citizens to put defence first meant that the time for debate was over, Mr. Early replied that certainly free speech would continue.

### Broke All Records

WASHINGTON, May 28 (Reuter).—The President's Secretary, Mr. Stephen Early, said that a survey made on behalf of the Columbia Broadcasting System showed that the reception of the President's address broke all previous records, it being calculated that 65,000,000 persons in the United States, plus 20,000,000 in Canada, South America and Britain, listened to the broadcast.

He said that telegrams and telephone calls pouring into the White House broke all records, it being impossible to tabulate them.

Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, said that as far as he was able to learn, the reaction generally had been excellent, this appearing to apply also to Latin American diplomats.

### Listeners in Sydney

SYDNEY, May 28 (Reuter).—So great was the interest in President Roosevelt's declaration that radio shops were packed with listeners who even blocked the sidewalks. Cars equipped with radiosets were surrounded with people listening intently and listeners similarly thronged hotel lounges.

Japanese Stock Market SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" TOKYO, May 28 (Domei).—The Stock market turned irregular as most traders after a careful study of the full text of the President's speech adopted a cautious attitude.

Silk and cotton markets also reacted favourably to the President's speech but the underlying sentiment was not too optimistic.

### London Opinion

LONDON, May 28 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt has cleared the decks for action," said a London spokesman.

The President's declaration of the freedom of the seas, is interpreted here as fresh evidence of the President's unusual political astuteness.

At the time of the controversy over material aid for Britain, President Roosevelt cut the Gordian knot by the simple solution of the Lend Lease Bill. To-day he has done a similar thing on the specific and possibly controversial matter of convoys—he has proclaimed the broad and fundamental policy of freedom of the seas and this embraces everything in this respect.

### U.S. Newspapers

WASHINGTON, May 28 (Reuter).—That the nation has been doubly stirred by President Roosevelt's speech is obvious from the favourable comment continuing to pour in from all over the country.

"Our conclusion. We are in it," said the "New York Post" with huge black streamers. "The President has spoken our will to act without further notice to safeguard Dakar, the Azores and Cape Verde."

### Renewed Faith

Governor Lehmann of New York said: "The speech will bring renewed faith and strength to those bravely fighting to preserve their own freedom and the liberties of those other countries who still remain free."

The "New York Star" with a streamer, says: "The United States, on emergency basis, is committed to stop the Axis."

Meanwhile newspapers throughout the country are generally favourable. The "Philadelphia Public Ledger" says: "The hour of decision has found American public opinion thoroughly prepared."

### Verge of War

TOKYO, May 28 (Reuter).—"On the verge of War" is the heading of a leading article in the "Japan Times and Advertiser" on President Roosevelt's speech.

It says that there is no shadow or sign of neutrality in the speech but rather a determined stand against German rights in British waters.

The last vestiges of neutrality have been stripped from the United States, not by any desire of the people as expressed in the Neutrality Act but by the acts and words of the President.

## London May Go On Dancing

DANCING in the London area will be allowed to continue as at present.

The decision has been reached by Mr. Herbert Morrison, Minister for Home Security, following a review of recent air-raid casualties in dance halls.

Mr. Morrison is anxious to interfere as little as possible with legitimate recreation.

He had to consider the relative risks and the possible effect of closing down this form of entertainment. As hitherto, people attending dance halls will be warned when an Alert is sounded.

Managements will be under an obligation to inform dancers where the nearest shelters are.

## Burned To Death Baking Cake

Miss Anna Adderslee, aged 81, who lived at a house belonging to the Aged Pilgrims Friends Society at Leicester, was burned to death recently.

She had been baking a cake, and it is believed her clothing caught fire as she was taking the cake from the oven.

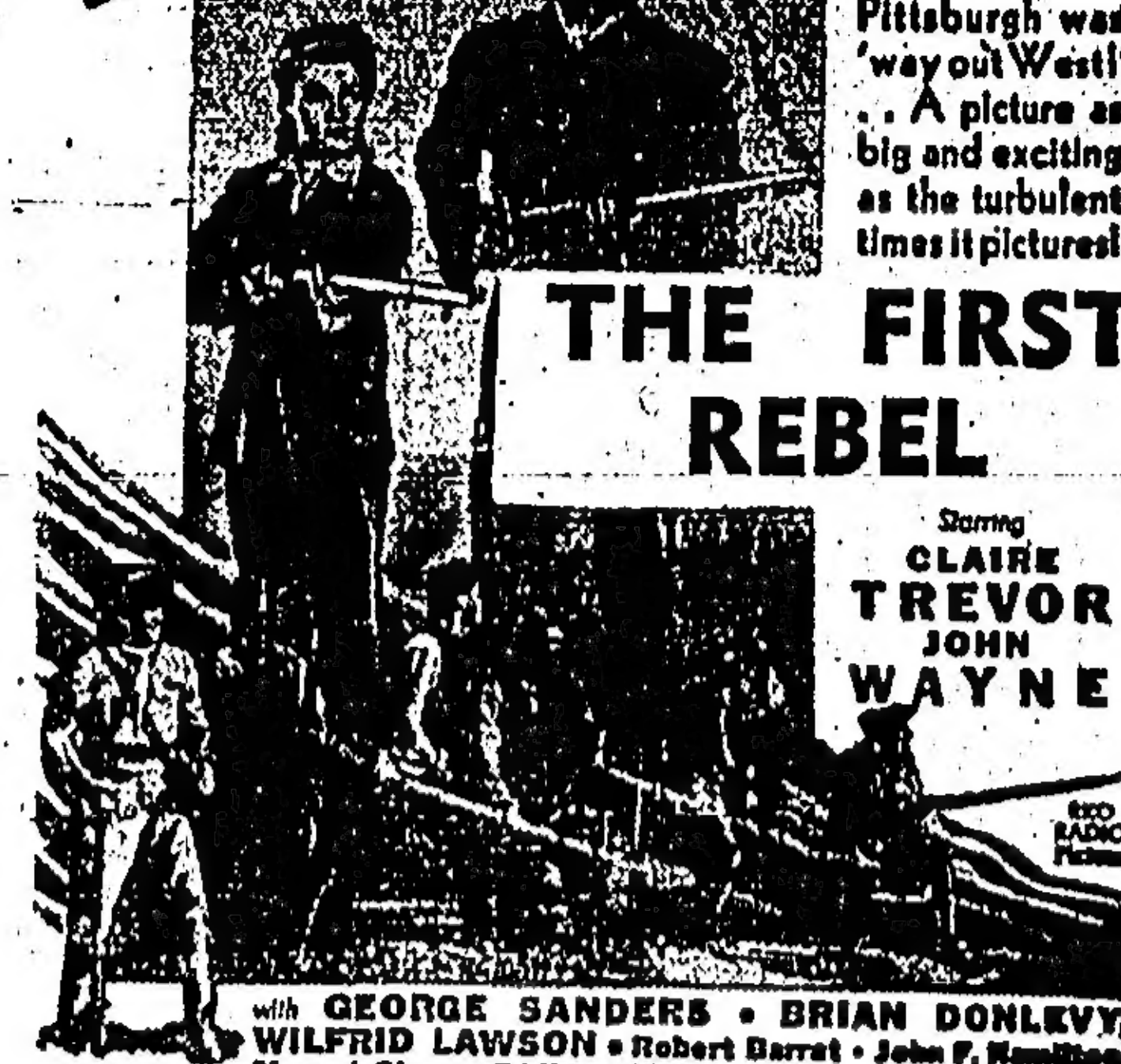


VALIANT YOUNG KING—This picture of King Peter of Yugoslavia was taken after he assumed royal powers following German demands on his country. The young king is here seen proceeding to a special religious service. Behind him is the new Premier, General Simovitch.

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WASHINGTON, MAY 28 (UP).—THE SCRIPPS-HOWARD COLUMNIST, MR WILLIAM SIMMS WRITES TO-DAY THAT "FOREIGN ENVOYS HERE HAVE WARNED THEIR GOVERNMENTS THAT THE UNITED STATES IS AWAITING ONLY AN OVERT ACT BY THE AXIS TO ENTER THE WAR." THAT IS THE INTERPRETATION ON THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS AND PROCLAMATION.

## Ceaseless Action By The R. A. F.

Enemy Aerodromes Smashed

CAIRO, May 28 (Reuter).—The bombing of Aleppo aerodrome in Syria and a successful series of raids on the enemy-occupied aerodrome at Malemi in Crete are the highlights of an official Middle East air communique.

## BISMARCK LOSSES

Total 2,000 Men

ZURICH, May 28 (Reuter).—Nearly 2,000 men were lost in the sinking of the German battleship Bismarck, according to an estimate reported by the Berlin correspondent of the "Basler Nachrichten," who observes that crews on German ships are bigger than on British.

Reconnaissance

LONDON, May 28 (Reuter).—"It was a great hunt and we are eager and ready for more," states a message to the Admiralty from the Commander-in-Chief, Coastal Command, replying to a signal from the Admiralty gratefully acknowledging the part played by the Coastal Command in reconnaissance for the Bismarck.

The signal from the Admiralty states that this reconnaissance "contributed in a large measure to the successful outcome of the recent operation."

## No Repeal Of Neutrality Legislation

WASHINGTON, May 28 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt has no intention of asking for a repeal of the Neutrality Act and is not considering its revision.

The President made this clear at a special press conference today to clarify certain outstanding questions following his "fireside chat."

The President added that he was not at present considering any executive orders to implement his proclamation of a state of "unlimited national emergency."

## Wavell's Abyssinian Campaign Vindicated

LONDON, May 28 (Reuter).—General Sir Archibald Wavell's strategy in completing the conquest of the Italian East African empire when distractions were afoot further north was vindicated in the House of Lords to-day by Field Marshal Lord Birdwood and the Under-Secretary for War, Lord Croft.

Lord Birdwood, who is often called the "Father of the Indian Army," said that he had an uncomfortable feeling that unwittingly, full justice had not been done to the magnificent work of the officers and men from India, Dominions and the colonies in the East African campaign.

## British Raid On Tunisia

Stax Bombed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

VICHY, May 28 (UP).—It is officially stated that British planes bombed Stax in Tunisia, this morning. The French spokesman asserted that the Government fails to understand the reason for this act, as Stax which is the principal market city on the Tunisian east coast, has no fortifications and no naval or air base.

An official report from Beirut says the French shot down a British Glenn Martin bomber at 10.30 a.m. during a raid on the Neral airfield near Aleppo.

The fact that President Roosevelt acquainted Congressional leaders beforehand with what he intended to say made his pronouncements as coming as close to a war declaration as the President is able to go. The United States policy is described as a clear ultimatum which, in effect, is what the speech could be called, without great exaggeration.

Columnist Raymond Clapper stated, "America has changed overnight. Without action by Congress or any mention thereof, President Roosevelt assumed new powers. The President placed himself in a position to begin an undeclared war, or rather unannounced fighting against the Axis when his judgment calls for it. This is, in effect, an executive declaration that a state of war exists."

## IF AXIS START SHOOTING U.S. "Task Forces" Will Reply

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, May 28 (UP).—Informed quarters to-day interpreted President Roosevelt's assurance that Britain would receive war goods as a signal for extended United States naval operations on the Atlantic, probably by "task forces," especially designed to meet the Axis threat.

They were of the opinion that these would probably be composed of battleships, aircraft-carriers, destroyers and submarines, and it was predicted that they would operate similar to the British squadrons which sought the Bismarck.

Some sources stated that the initiative for shooting in open sea warfare will be left to the Axis.

If the Axis decline to fight vastly superior forces, the goods will be delivered without shooting but, they observed, if an attack was made, then the United States would be unable to insure delivery of the goods without returning the fire.

LATEST

## Almost Undeclared War

WASHINGTON, May 28 (UP)

—President Roosevelt has led the nation near to the limits of an undeclared war if he is prepared to implement his unlimited emergency proclamation. A special press conference is scheduled for to-day in order to elaborate and explain the message.

The President said last night that strikes and lock-outs must cease abruptly in order to enlarge the scope of the Aid-to-Britain programme, and this supported by bristling threats to deliver war materials to the fighting men with armed force. The pledge went far beyond convicts which the Administration considers obsolescent. The speech aroused a national clamour of applause despite Representative Melvin Maas saying, "This means war." Senator Tom Connally declared that it was a "ringing call to duty and service for all Americans."

Senator Robert Taft asserted, "The declaration of an unlimited national emergency has no legal effect whatsoever. The President has no statutory or constitutional authority to declare such an emergency."

## Very "Encouraging"

Senator Carter Glass, "I agreed with every word and more besides." Speaker Sam Rayburn of the House stated, "It will be very encouraging for the democratic peoples throughout the world."

Walter George said, "It was a very strong statement of the Administration's basic philosophy."

Representative Hamilton Fish thought it was "just sop to the interventionists."

Senator Gerald Nye asserted, "The President gives notice that we are already conveying."

Senator Pat McCarran declared, "I think it is another way of declaring war."

Senator Robert Wagner was of the opinion that "President Roosevelt has firmly accepted and courageously exercised the great responsibility invested in him by the American people in an unparalleled world crisis."

## SUBMARINE USK NOW OVERDUE

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, May 28 (UP).—The Admiralty to-day announced that the British submarine "Usk" is overdue and must be considered lost.

## One Of The 1941 War Methods

Novel indeed are some of the methods and tactics adopted in the present war. Here is something the British army learnt from the invasion of the Lowlands. Picture shows Guardsmen, armed with Tommy Guns attacking an "enemy" post during manoeuvres "somewhere in England."



## Crete Forces Locked Together In Great Slogging Match

CAIRO, May 28 (Reuter).—Authoritative military circles summed up the Crete battle to-night as follows:

"It is continuing to develop as an intensive stand-up slogging match. The fighting is hard, particularly in the area between Canea and Malemi."

## Hell Fire Pass Abandoned

New Situation In North Africa

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CAIRO, May 28 (UP).—The situation in North Africa has taken a new turn, and British General Headquarters to-day issued a communique which states that Hell Fire Pass, near Tobruk, has been temporarily abandoned by Imperial troops.

It was at Hell Fire Pass where Graziani's army made its last attempt to withstand the British offensive, but the strategic situation was secured after a few days of intensive fighting following a brilliant movement by the attacking forces.

The same communique announces that fighting continues on the Egyptian side of the Libyan-Egyptian frontier.

The enemy has taken Halfaya Pass. Operations extend far about 15 miles south from the sea.

The situation at Sollum is obscure.

## Honours For African War Heroes

LONDON, May 28 (Reuter).

—In recognition of the recent successful operations in East Africa, His Majesty the King has ordered the following promotions in and appointments of the Order of the Bath:

To Knights Commander—Lieut. General Alan Gordon Cunningham (brother of Admiral Sir Andrew Cunningham) and Major-General William Platt.

To Companions of the Order of the Bath—Major-General Alfred Rendo Godwin-Austen; Colonel Harry Edward de Robillard Wetherall and Brigadier-General George Edwin Brink of the South African Staff Corps.

To Knight Commander of the British Empire—Major-General Lewis Maclellan Heath of the Indian Army.

## Norwegians Agree To Help Us

New Pact Signed

LONDON, May 28 (Reuter).—Determination to prosecute the war to a successful conclusion is affirmed in the Anglo-Norwegian Agreement concerning the organisation and employment of Norwegian armed forces in the United Kingdom signed to-day by the British and Norwegian Foreign Ministers.

The two governments have agreed that one of the objects of the war is the re-establishment of freedom and independence of Norway through its complete liberation from German domination.

They recognise the importance in their common interest of maintaining the armed forces of Norway and have agreed on principles on which these armed forces will be organised for co-operation with the Allied armed forces.

## French Tanker Sunk

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, May 28 (UP).—An Admiralty communique states that a French tanker of about 5,000 tons which was enroute to Tripoli escorted by an Italian warship was torpedoed and sunk. A liner of about 1,800 tons carrying about 3,000 troops to Libya was hit with two torpedoes and is considered to have been sunk.

## Air Attacks On Cologne

Large Fires Started

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, May 28 (UP).—It is authoritatively stated that industrial targets at Cologne were attacked last night.

"Bursts were seen on important objectives and several large fires were started." Smaller forces attacked the docks at Boulogne.

Bomber planes made a "particularly successful raid" on the enemy aerodrome at Lannion, Brittany, yesterday afternoon and destroyed several aircraft on the ground.

## Enemy Shipping Suffers: Convoy and Liner Sunk

LONDON, May 28 (Reuter).—Five armed trawlers were escorting a German supply ship of approximately 5,000 tons which was struck twice by heavy bombs dropped by an R.A.F. Coastal Command aircraft off Brest to-day.

The supply ship was left listing and settling down after the pilot of the British plane estimated that his second salvo "torpedoed" the ship below the water-line.

All the armed trawlers opened fire but the aircraft was hit only twice.

Steady Toll  
LONDON, May 28 (Reuter).—The steady toll which the Royal Navy is

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1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 Henry King and His Orchestra.

2.15 Close Down.

5.45 Indian Programme.

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 List—Dance of Death.

6.50 Songs by John McCormack (Tenor).

Earl Bristol's Farewell (Lidgely); When I Have Sung My Songs (Charles); In Sweet Content (Macdermaid—Soprano).

7. London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—"Questions of the Hour."

7.30 Mozart—Concerto in G Major, No. 3.

Yehudi Menuhin (Violin) and the Paris Symphony Orchestra cond. by George Enescu.

8 Local Time Signal and Announcements.

8.02 Mandoline Orchestras.

8.15 Studio—Local Newsletter.

8.30 The Russian Novelty Orchestra.

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9 London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

9.15 Carroll Gibbons (Piano) and Len Fills (Guitar).

9.45-10 News in French (on Short Wave only).

9.45 Sidney Torch at the Organ.

10 London Relay—"To Talk of Many Things."

10.15 Variety.

Vocal—Hildegard Looks Back; Fox-Trots—Oh By Jingo; Scat Singing Sue; Vocal—A Dream of Jeanie with the Light Brown Hair (Foster); Swanee River (Foster); Piano—Charlie Kunz Piano Medley, No. D 41; Comedy Duo—Income Tax (Naughton and Gold); Fox-Trots—Celebratin' (film "Limelight"); Tap Your Toesies (film "Jack of All Trades"); Vocal—A Room with a View (from "This Year of Grace"); I'll See You Again (from "Bitter Sweet"); Piano—Kunz Revivals, No. 20.

11 Close Down.

## Captives Work For Nazis

Supply From France

In compliance with insistent demands by the Germans that certain foreigners detained in French concentration camps should be sent to work in Germany, 140 Russians interned in the Vernet camp in the Pyrenees and 1,000 penniless Jugo-slavs from various camps in France have been turned over to the Nazis.

The Russians, who have been held in French jails since May, 1937, were accused of taking part in kidnapping the White Russian General Eugene Miller, who disappeared on Sept. 22, 1937, and was never found again.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

### BANK HOLIDAY

In accordance with Government Ordinance, The Exchange Banks will be closed for the transaction of Public Business on Monday, the 2nd June, 1941, (White Monday).  
Hongkong, 28th May, 1941.

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#### NOTICE

The MAY HALF-YEARLY GENERAL MEETING OF VOTING MEMBERS will be held at the Club House, Happy Valley, To-day, Thursday, 29th May, 1941, at 5.30 p.m.

ALL MEMBERS are cordially invited to attend and participate in any discussion which may ensue.

By Order of the Stewards,  
C. B. BROWN,  
Secretary.

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#### NOTICE OF GENERAL MEETING

The SIXTIETH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on Thursday, 10th July, 1941, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 3rd July to the 24th July inclusive.

By order of the Board,  
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.  
General Managers.  
Hong Kong, 14th May, 1941.

#### NOTICE

DEFENCE REGULATIONS 1940  
The following rates will be charged for mailing single copies of the following newspapers abroad—  
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16 cents per copy  
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25 cents Saturdays.

## MARRIAGE OF MISS I. LAMMERT TO LT K. WATSON

At a quiet, informal ceremony in the Lady Chapel of St John's Cathedral yesterday, Miss Florence Isabel Lammert, second daughter of Mr and Mrs Lionel Lammert, of No. 1 Chatham Road, became the bride of Lieut Kenneth Albert Watson, of the Hongkong Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve, son of Mr and Mrs James Watson, of Edinburgh.

The Rev. Cyril Brown, Hon. Chaplain of the H.K.R.N.V.R., officiated, and Mr J. R. M. Smith was at the organ.

The bride, who was given away by her father, looked lovely in an afternoon frock of moss-green with white spots. The bride's dress was a moss-green ribbon. With this she wore a white bonnet with accessories to match, and carried a small bouquet of gardenias.

The matron-of-honour was the bride's sister, Mrs Harold Bidwell, who wore a green and white floral georgette dress with lavender hat and accessories to match. The ensemble was offset by a corsage of white blooms.

Lieut. B. J. B. Morahan, of the Hongkong Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve, undertook the duties of best man.

The reception, which was attended by intimate friends of the bride and groom, was held at No. 20 Peak Road.

The honeymoon is being spent at Repulse Bay.

### Chief Justice to Address University Christians

The annual Service of the University of Hongkong Christian Association will be held on Sunday, June 1, at 9.30 a.m. in the Chapel of St John's Hall, when the address will be given by His Honour the Chief Justice, Sir A. D. A. MacGregor.

A feature of the Service will be the annual presentation of Bibles to recent graduates of the University. This gift is made possible through the kindness of the British and Foreign Bible Society, whose representative, the Rev. Frank Short, has also promised to be present at the Service. Members and friends of the University are cordially invited to attend.

## G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Tuesday, the 3rd day of June, 1941, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Mong Kok, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

#### PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements				Contents in sq. feet.	Ann. Rental	Upset Price
		N.	S.	E.	W.			
1	at Junction of Playfield Road and Tung Chok Street, Mong Kok.	as per sale plan.				about 2,600	\$60	\$4,100

The purchaser of the lot will be required to pay to the auctioneer in cash the sum of \$310.00 (being 10% of the upset price) immediately after the fall of the hammer, the balance of the premium being paid in accordance with the Conditions of Sale.

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PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Tuesday, the 3rd day of June, 1941, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Tai Hang Road, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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No. of Sale Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements				Contents in sq. feet.	Ann. Rental	Upset Price
		N.	S.	E.	W.			
2	Inland Lot No. 345, Tai Hang Road, West of Inland Lot No. 344.	as per sale plan.				about 7,000	\$120	\$7,000

The purchaser of the lot will be required to pay to the auctioneer in cash the sum of \$700.00 (being 10% of the upset price) immediately after the fall of the hammer, the balance of the premium being paid in accordance with the Conditions of Sale.

## STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary, issued yesterday, is:

#### Buyers

Bank of East Asia \$71  
Indo-China (Pref) \$80  
Decks \$14.75  
Provident \$5  
Hoteis \$2.85  
Trams \$15.75  
Lights "O" \$5.70  
Electricity "Rts" \$11  
Macao Electricity \$18.05  
Entertainments \$6.25

#### Sales

H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 97  
Electricity "N" \$20.85  
Electricity "Rts" \$11

Under the auspices of the Women's New Life Movement Promotion Association a concert in aid of refugee relief funds was held yesterday at the Lee Theatre. There was a large attendance.

A waterlogged junk was reported at 2.30 p.m. on Tuesday to be in Lat. 22 degrees 08' N., Long. 114 degrees 30' E. (approx), drifting south-east.



BRITISH COMMANDERS—This picture, received in New York, shows General Philip Neame, General Sir Richard O'Connor (centre), Commander of the Nile Forces, and Tank General M. D. Gambler-Parry, who fell into German hands during the recent push in Libya.

## Reactions To Roosevelt Vary: Convoy Issue To Be Explained

ZURICH, May 28, (Reuter).—The first press comments show keen disappointment over President Roosevelt's speech which, according to the "Basler Nachrichten," added nothing to what he had already said before.

"If America has decided to enter the war, it is difficult to understand why she does not fulfil this decision in the hour of the greatest need of her Anglo-Saxon friend," says the paper.

The paper assumes that American public opinion is still unprepared.

The article adds: "The declaration of a state of emergency in the United States means delay rather than hastening of the Americans' entry into the war because it shows that President Roosevelt expects a long transition period. Therefore, he obtained powers which, as C-in-C, he would automatically acquire if war were declared."

**Freedom of Seas**  
CANBERRA, May 28 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt's insistence on the "freedom of the seas" in his momentous speech is regarded in authoritative Federal circles as having tremendous significance.

It is believed that this reference, coupled with the proclamation of a state of unlimited national emergency, will lead to abandonment of the previously proclaimed defence zones, to much wider use of American ships in the areas from which they hitherto have been debarred and to unhesitating use of force in resisting any attack on them.

**Conference**  
WASHINGTON, May 28 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt is to hold a special press conference late this afternoon, at which he is expected to clear up the question of convoys.

Mr Stephen Early, the President's Secretary, announced this morning. When told by reporters that the President's speech had left some confusion as regards the convoy issue, he replied: "I think he will clear that up this afternoon and I would rather that he did it."

Replying to a question whether President Roosevelt's plea to all citizens to put defence first meant that the time for debate was over, Mr Early replied that "certainly" free speech remained that while the speech represented "80 per cent. of the job," the President still had about 20 per cent. cleaning up to do.

#### Broke All Records

WASHINGTON, May 28 (Reuter).—The President's Secretary, Mr Stephen Early, said that a survey made on behalf of the Columbia Broadcasting System showed that the reception of the President's address broke all previous records. It being calculated that 65,050,000 persons in the United States, plus 20,000,000 in Canada, South America and Britain, listened to the broadcast.

He said that telegrams and telephone calls pouring into the White House broke all records, it being impossible to catalogue them.

**Listeners in Sydney**  
SYDNEY, May 28 (Reuter).—So great was the interest in President Roosevelt's declaration that radio shops were packed with listeners who were blocked the sidewalks. Cars equipped with radio sets were surrounded with people listening intently and listeners similarly thronged hotel lounges.

#### Japanese Stock Market

TOKYO, May 28 (Domei).—The Stock market turned irregular as most traders after a careful study of the full text of the President's speech adopted a cautious attitude. Silk and cotton markets also reacted favourably to the President's speech but the underlying sentiment was not too optimistic.

#### London Opinion

LONDON, May 28 (Reuter).—"President Roosevelt has cleared the decks for action," said a London spokesman.

The President's declaration of the freedom of the seas, is interpreted here as fresh evidence of the President's unusual political astuteness. At the time of the controversy over material aid for Britain, President Roosevelt cut the Gordian knot by the simple solution of the Lense and Trend Bill. To-day he has done a similar thing on the specific and possibly controversial matter of convoys—he has proclaimed the broad and fundamental policy of freedom of the seas and this embraces everything in this respect.

#### U.S. Newspapers

WASHINGTON, May 28 (Reuter).—That the nation has been doubly stirred by President Roosevelt's

speech is obvious from the favourable comment continuing to pour in from all over the country.

"P.M." on its front page proclaims "our conclusion. We are in it." The "New York Post" with huge black streamers, says: "The President has spoken our will to act without further notice to safeguard Dakar, the Azores and Cape Verde."

#### Renewed Faith

Governor Lehmann of New York said: "The speech will bring renewed faith and strength to those bravely fighting to preserve their own freedom and the liberties of those other countries who still remain free."

The "New York Sun," with a streamer, says: "The United States, on emergency basis, is committed to stop the Axis."

Meanwhile newspapers throughout the country are generally favourable. The "Philadelphia Public Ledger" says: "The hour of decision has found American public opinion thoroughly prepared."

#### Verge of War

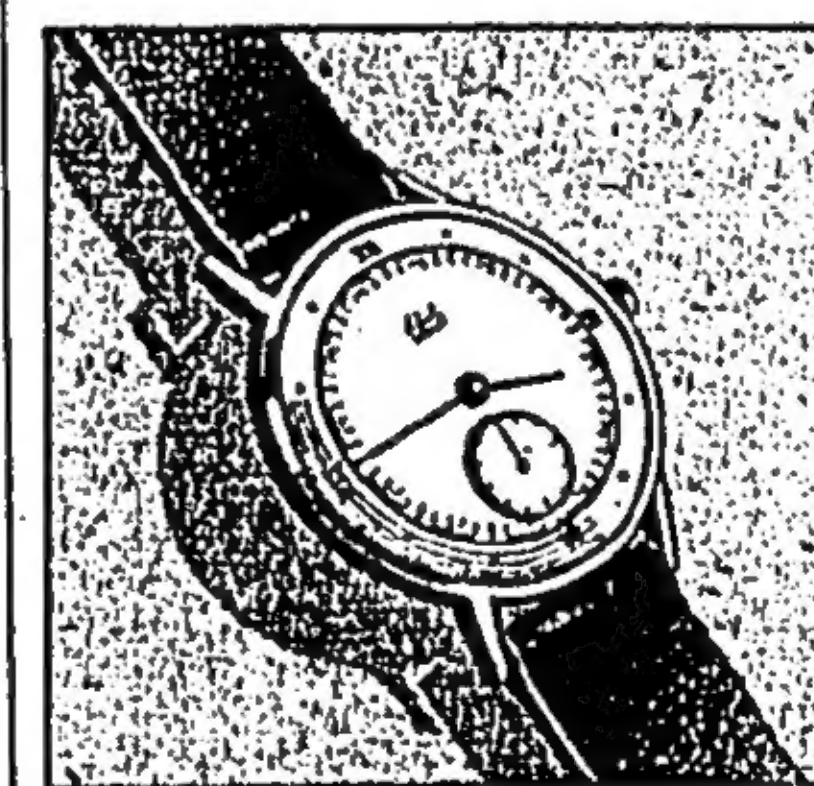
TOKYO, May 28 (Reuter).—"On the verge of war" is the heading of a leading article in the "Japan Times and Advertiser" on President Roosevelt's speech.

It says that there is no shadow or sign of neutrality in the speech but rather a determined stand against Hitler even to a promise to challenge German rights in British waters.

The last vestiges of neutrality have been stripped from the United States, not by any desire of the people as expressed in the Neutrality Act but by the acts and words of the President.

#### CURIOUS POLICE

A patrolman who stood in front of a barber shop in Brooklyn saw 14 men go in and saw 14 come out, none of them with shaves or new haircuts. He went in, too, and found a bookmaker taking bets on horses.



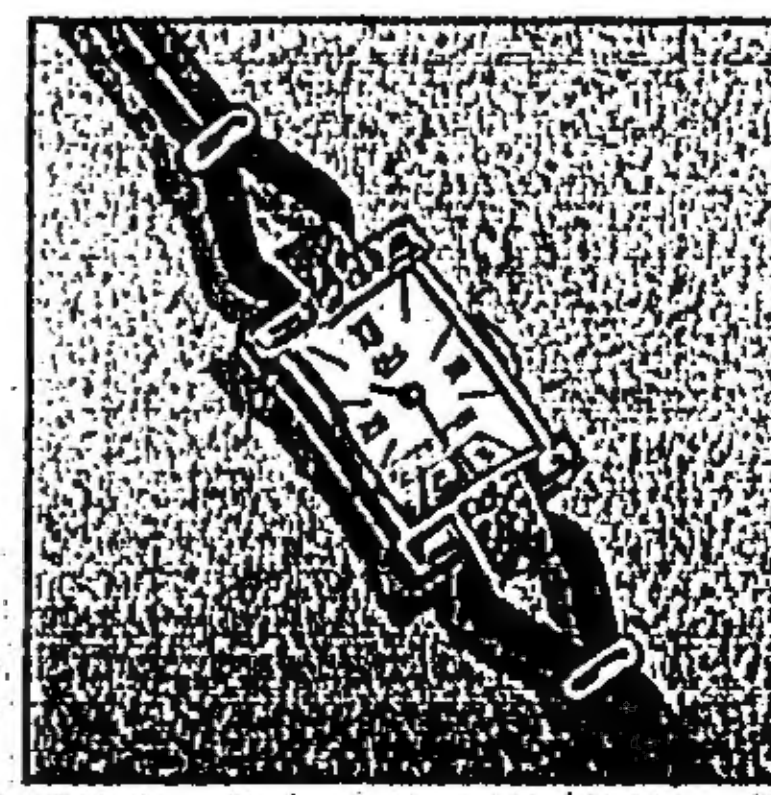
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## POST OFFICE

### GENERAL HOLIDAY

On Monday, 2nd June, the General Post Office and Kowloon Central Post Office will be open from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. Sheungwan Branch Post Office will be open from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. and the other Branch Post Offices will be entirely closed.

There will be one collection from the pillar boxes as on Sundays, one delivery of regular and ordinary correspondence at 10 a.m.

There will also be one delivery of ordinary correspondence at 11 a.m. from the Branch Post Offices at Stanley, Taiipo and Un Long.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

Small Packet Post to all countries suspended.

### INWARD AIR MAILS

Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 26th May ..... June 3.  
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### OUTWARD AIR MAILS

Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, June 10 ..... June 17.

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Air Mail for Manila, Cebu, Honolulu, U.S.A., and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services."

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Tuesday, June 17

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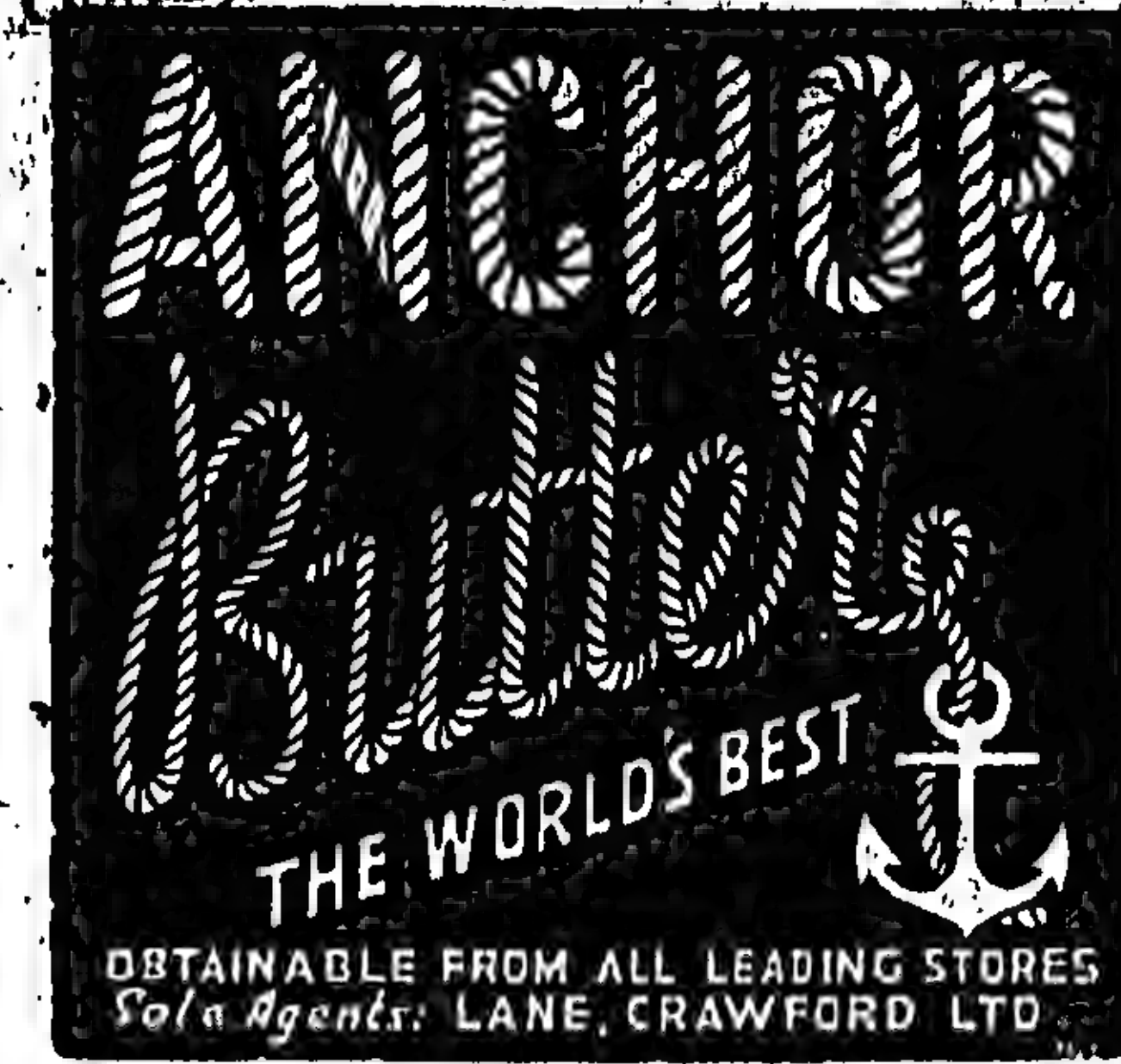
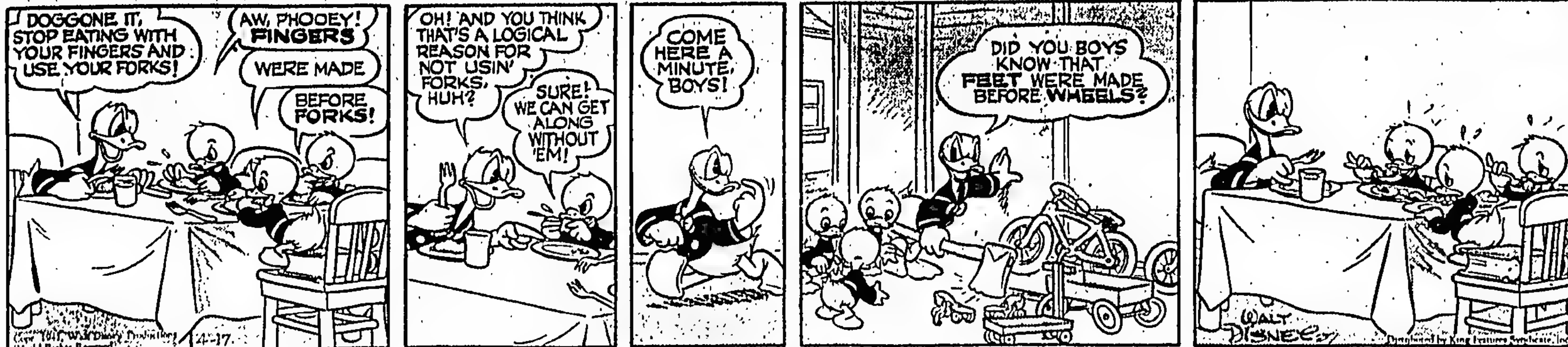
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# DONALD DUCK

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## GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



A MOTHER AND HER NEWLY-BORN BABY about to leave a London hospital bombed by night raiders. They were evacuated into the country with a number of other patients.

## The German Officer To-day

### FOE WORTH BEATING

By MAJOR E. W. SHEPPARD

TODAY German officers are all over Europe, some in uniform, some disguised as technicians, tourists or advisers.

In the last war we all had a picture in our minds of the typical German officer—straight backed, stiff as a ramrod in his tight-fitting uniform and greatcoat, monocled, haughty, arrogant.

His mind was of a piece with his appearance. He knew his job, and little else besides.

He had a high sense of duty, a tremendous sense of caste and calling, and a queer code of honour to which he was utterly faithful.

That code enjoined on him a contempt for money and graft, a strict performance of duty, a meticulous knowledge of his profession and a ban on anything which might lower his own personal prestige as an officer, that of the German officer class, or that of the German Army.

#### More Human, But

I wonder if he is the same to-day? His outward appearance has, of course, changed. So I think to some extent has his mental outlook.

He is more human, more approachable, more among his men, more at ease with them. He has learnt that from the French.

He goes in more for sport and tries, not always with success, to cultivate in himself and his troops a sense of humour. He learnt that from us.

And he has learnt all about the new weapons of war—the tanks, the aeroplanes, the motorised arms, the parachutists.

He learnt that, too, from other people—much of it from the despised Russians.

Has he lost his sense of religion? I fancy so, and I think he is the worse man for it.

#### New Weaknesses

I fancy, too, he has lost something of his strict sense of honour. He is the worse man for that, too, in my view.

But his sense of duty is as high as ever. He still firmly believes in himself, in the class to which he belongs, in the army of which he is the chief ornament.

And he still believes in Germany, too—though not necessarily in Nazism or in Hitler.

He is a formidable fellow, this German officer of to-day.

One may respect him, though hardly like him. He is a foe worth bending, and one whom it will take us a lot of trouble to beat.

But he can be beaten—and he will be, as he has been before.

And all the more certainly because he now has weaknesses foreign to his forefathers.

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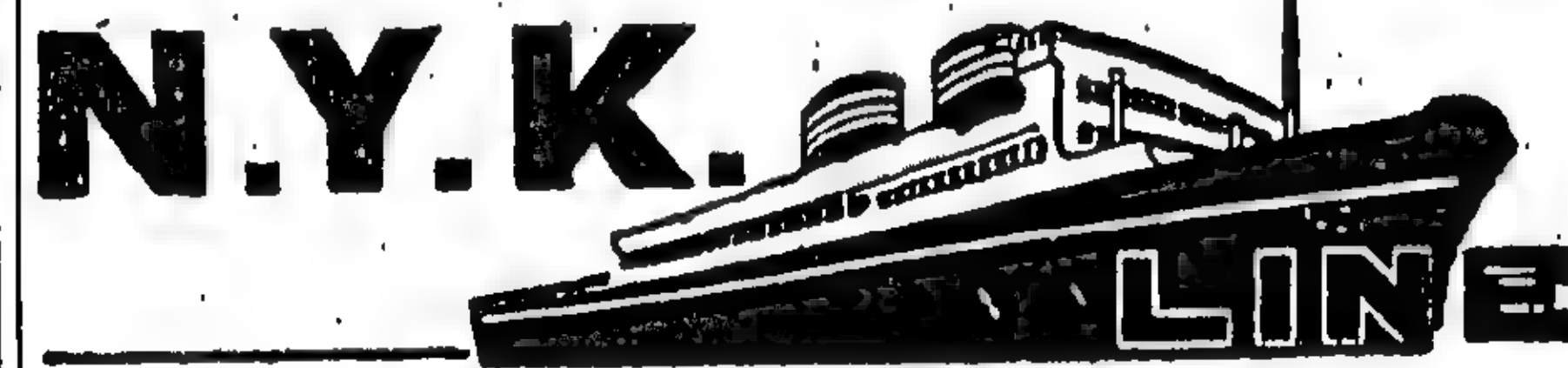
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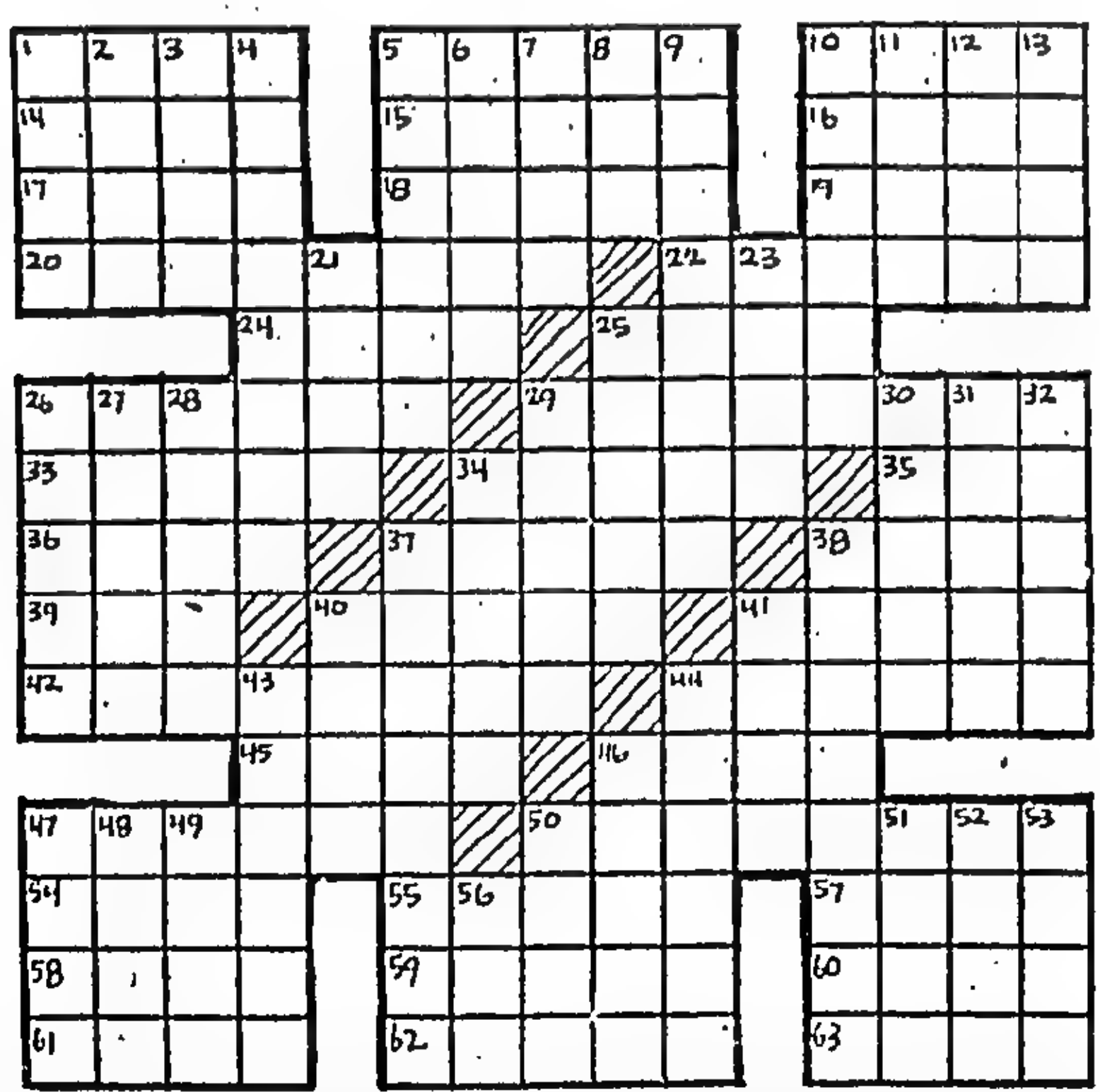
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## Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

- ACROSS
- Wing-like
  - Package of bulky goods
  - Delicate crypto-rhymous plant
  - Twisted hemp
  - Like old woman
  - Constitute of
  - Level
  - Water-repelling wheel
  - Teller of falsehoods
  - Musical composition
  - Girl who asked for head of John the Baptist
  - Departed
  - Style
  - Kind of straw hat
  - Members of
  - Waitress
  - Symbolic religious object of American Indians
  - Alcoholic drink
  - Complete with
  - Provided with hearing organs
  - Common border for ice-cream
  - Frozen water
  - Seen by looking carefully
  - Elevate
  - Western enemies of Crusaders
  - Think over
  - Market
  - Domestic farm animal
  - Are possessions, as of persons
- DOWN
- Land measure (pl.)
  - Adoration
  - One who mimics
  - Trinket
  - Kind of fruit
  - Positive volatile pole
  - Italian money
  - Vale
  - Spiced
  - Quiet club
  - Middle
  - Whipped toils
  - Whither
  - First man
  - Measure
  - French capital
  - Mainly plant
  - Pier
  - Intamed spots
  - Page-shaped
  - Remove by flooding with water
  - House of contempt
  - Contaminants
  - Criminal center-piece (French)
  - Pertaining to musical composition
  - Terse
  - Wander
  - Parasitic (botanist)
  - One who puts into common fund
  - Rings
  - Projecting part
  - Piercing for publication
  - Whatever may be
  - Laurel
  - Waxer in Italy
  - Women garment
  - Separate entry
  - Field
  - Oratilian bird



## Iron Weather Man In the Pacific

By Thomas R. Henry

On an isolated, uninhabited island in the Mid-Pacific the U.S. Navy's first iron sentry soon will mount guard—perhaps as the forerunner of an army of robots with copper brains to form cordons around the poles and walk posts across the seas.

The iron sentry will report every six hours. This first private of the robot army is being built, according to navy's specifications, by a commercial firm.

The model after which he is being constructed has been on duty for a year at the naval air station at Anacostia, D.C. During this time he never has been caught napping, and has required little attention. Four times daily he has looked around, made his observations, and radioed his reports, which are received reliably at distances of at least 200 miles from Washington.

His reports consist of the barometric pressure, the air temperature, the humidity, the force and direction of the wind, and the amount of rainfall. Each of these is recorded accurately on the copper brain and transformed immediately into radio impulses.

The worse the weather the better he likes it. His life blood is the wind, which constantly recharges the storage batteries, through a windmill on his head, which keep his brain in operation.

The robot was constructed by Dr. Harry Diamond and his associates at the U. S. Bureau of Standards in co-operation with navy officers. The things he does now are only an indication of what he may be able to do as he grows up in the service, navy officers say. One of the jobs already forecast for him is to drift about in the Atlantic, keeping ships, land stations and planes informed of the weather ahead.

The robot was first proposed by Dr. Willis Greig, late chief of the U. S. Weather Bureau, at a meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science in Ottawa in 1938. At that time it was considered a futuristic dream.

Dr. Greig wanted these robots set up in a continuous sentry line around the Arctic Circle and over the interior of Greenland to keep the world informed of tempests striking southward from the North Pole.

The idea of robot weather observers, according to Dr. Diamond, originated in Russia about 10 years ago. The Russian device was crude, but quickly became practical in the hands of the Bureau of Standards physicists.

The final result was the radiosonde, sent aloft in a balloon to altitudes of nearly 30 miles to report by radio on conditions in the upper atmosphere, on which so much of the world's weather depends. These were all suicide flights at first. Now many of the radiosondes are being recovered and put into service again.

The robot being put into service by the navy is a direct development from the radiosonde. But whereas the former weighed less than a pound, this new iron brain weighs more than a ton, is built to operate indefinitely, and to withstand any sort of conditions.

In appearance the sentry of the storms will be a thoroughly unromantic fellow—merely a wooden box about eight feet square, with a windmill and some antennae on top. That is only the skin of the iron man.

## CHIEFTAIN CATRIONA WINS 5-YEAR FIGHT

Twenty-one-year-old Miss Catriona Maclean of Ardour, daughter of the former chieftain of the Clan Maclean, has won her five-year fight for the right to use her father's arms.

Her right had been challenged by Lieut-Commander Henry Hugh Maclean, a cousin of the late Ardour twice removed, who claimed that as heir-male, he was head of the family of Ardour.

In the Lyon Court, the Lord Lyon King of Arms had disallowed his claim in favour of Catriona, and the Second Division of the Court of Session of Edinburgh recently affirmed that judgment.



Miss Catriona Maclean

The Lord Justice Clerk pointed out that the commander did not possess a rood of ancestral land, and said the idea that a woman could not represent a heraldic bearing family appeared to him to be a mediaeval notion, appropriate perhaps to the ages of savagery, but having no relation to the realities of the modern world.

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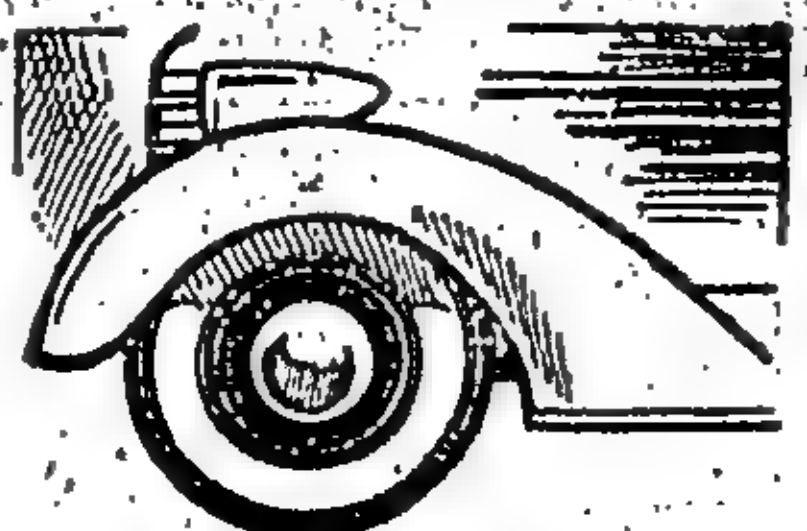
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### AMERICA DECLARES HERSELF

SOLENNLY, President Roosevelt yesterday issued a warning to Herr Hitler as grave and purposeful as that delivered to Germany by President Wilson 24 years ago. In language, pregnant with meaning, the leader of the United States flung out his answer to the Fuehrer's challenge for world domination, giving added weight to his words by simultaneously proclaiming that a state of unlimited national emergency existed, and calling upon the entire nation to labour ceaselessly and willingly to prevent the disaster with which the Nazis and their cohorts threaten the universe.

As generally anticipated, many of the sentiments expressed by Mr Roosevelt were reiterated, but he also announced two important new features of United States policy vis-a-vis the European War which are bound to have far-reaching effects on its future development.

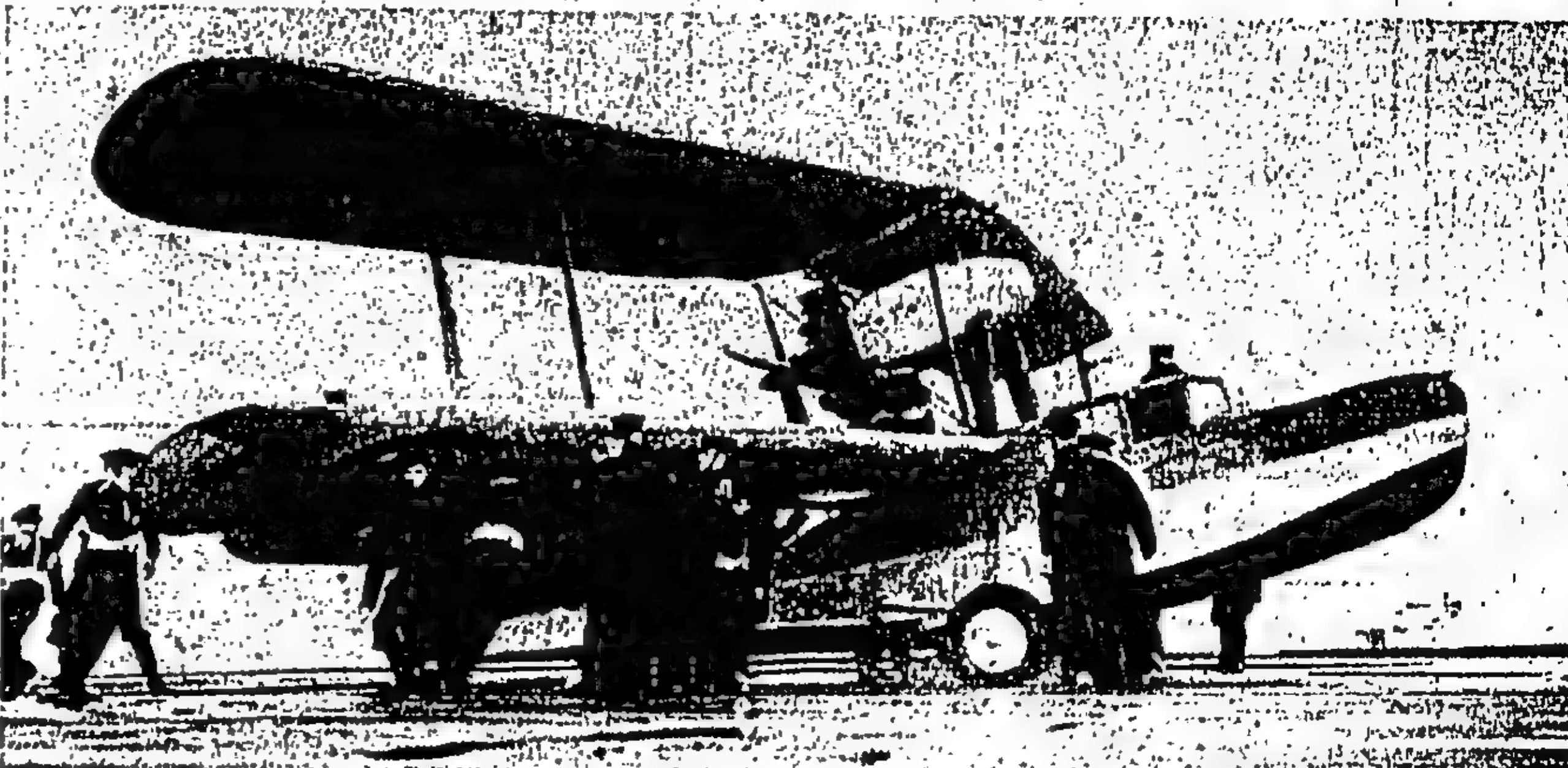
Without in as many words openly committing the U.S. to the employment of armed convoys for the conveying of vital war materials to Britain and the other democracies, the President referred with approval to the effectiveness of this system in the last World War, and added, with profound significance: "The blunt truth is that the present rate of Nazi sinkings of merchantmen is more than three times as high as the British replacement capacity, and more than twice the combined British and American output of merchantmen to-day. We can answer this peril by speeding up and increasing our great shipbuilding programme, and secondly by helping to cut down the losses on the high seas." It is doubtful whether any other sentence in the entire speech will ring so unpleasantly in Hitler's ears.

And if the Nazi leader is still capable of absorbing realistic facts in his perverted mind, surely Mr Roosevelt's announcement that the United States already has taken, and will continue to take adequate steps to safeguard the nation's vital outposts, must give him cause to ponder. It means that the United States is now prepared to translate warnings into actions; the velvet glove of diplomatic conciliation is off; the iron hand of an implacable foe is exposed. Hitler stands warned by the great champion of the democracies.

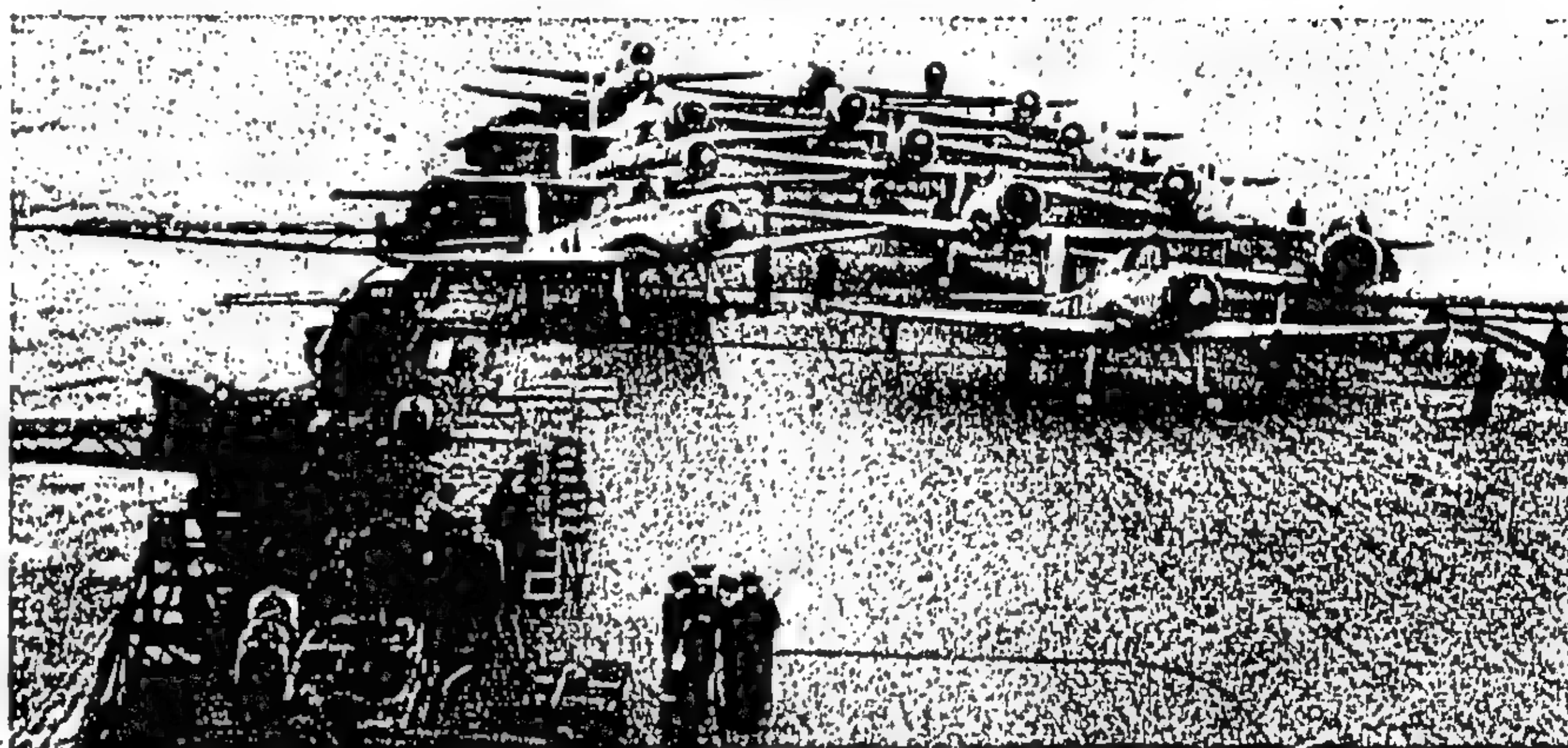
The fact that Mr Roosevelt's speech was directed essentially to Hitler does not mean that his challenging statements were intended to remain unheeded in other parts of the globe. Japan was clearly invited to ponder the President's words and to appreciate the meaning behind his tribute to the "magnificent defence of China."

In short, the entire world to-day now knows where America stands in relation to the conflict which is raging on three continents, and which is threatening a fourth. Unflinchingly, and with the aid of every resource at her disposal, the United States will defy and combat the Totalitarians, even if, in the final analysis, it involves her, like Britain and the other democracies, in total war.

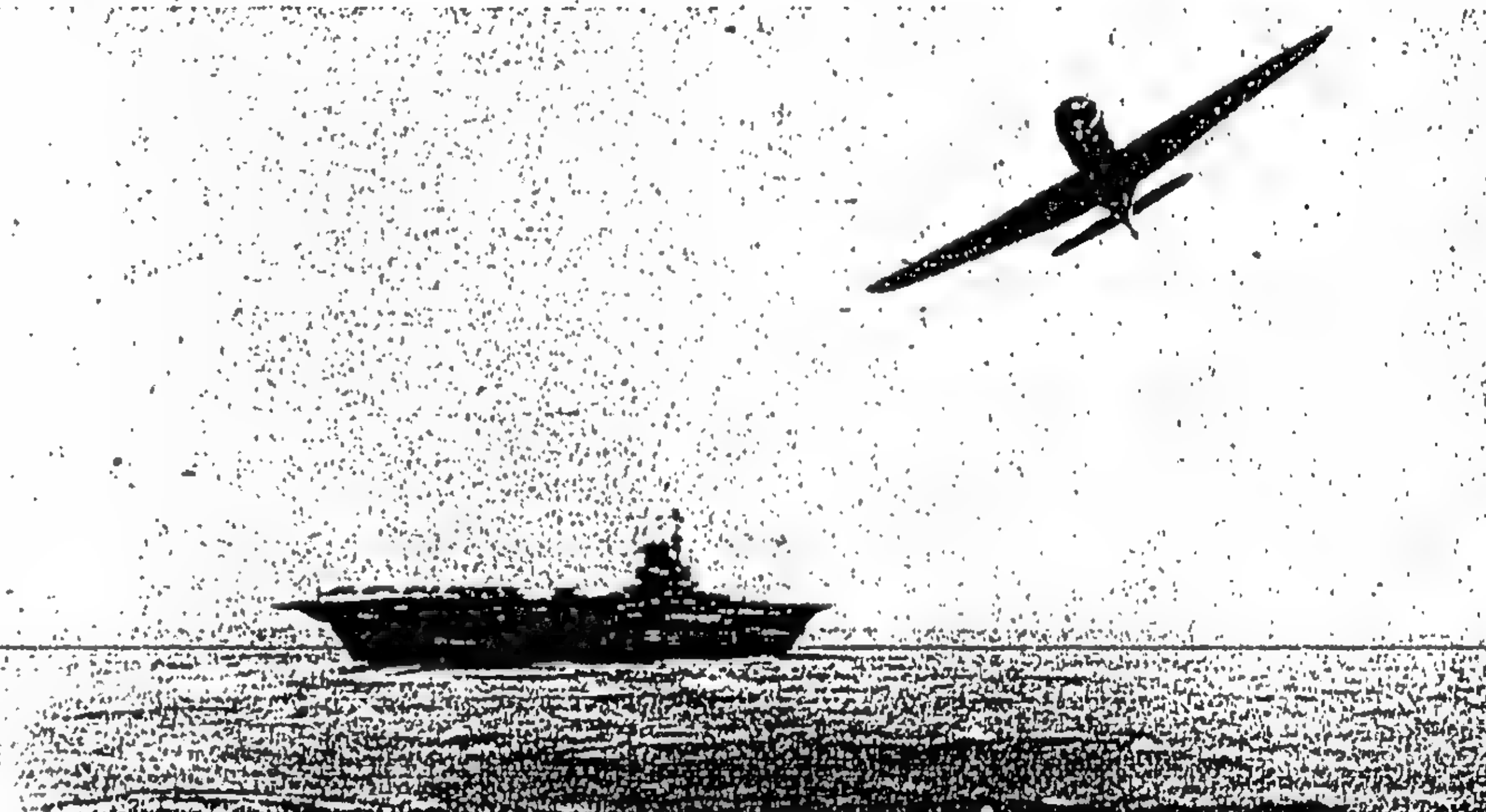
## FLEET AIR ARM PROVES STRENGTH AGAIN IN SINKING OF BISMARCK



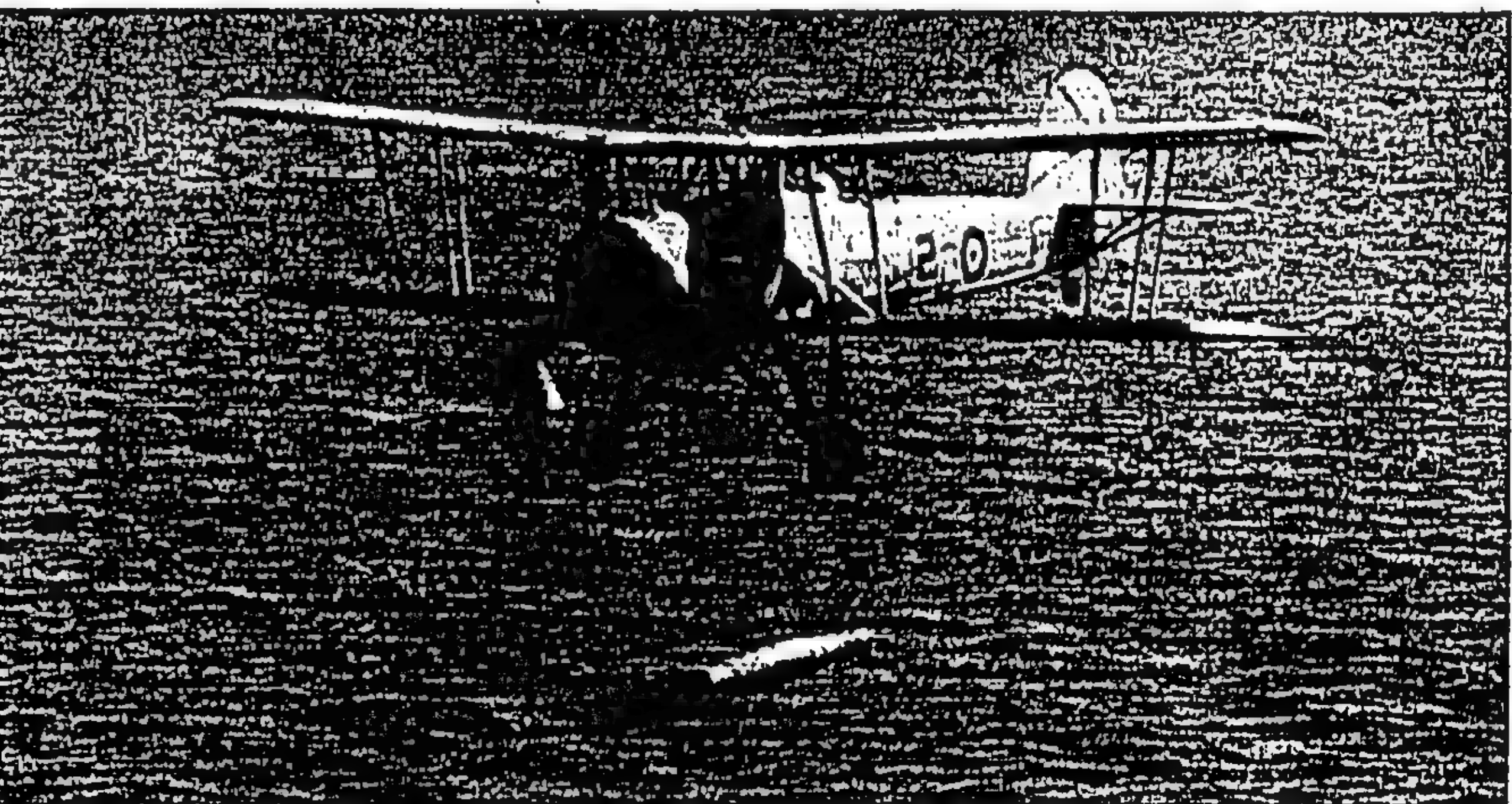
These official Admiralty pictures show how the Fleet Air Arm operates from an aircraft carrier. Here a plane has just come up through the well and is having its wings spread.



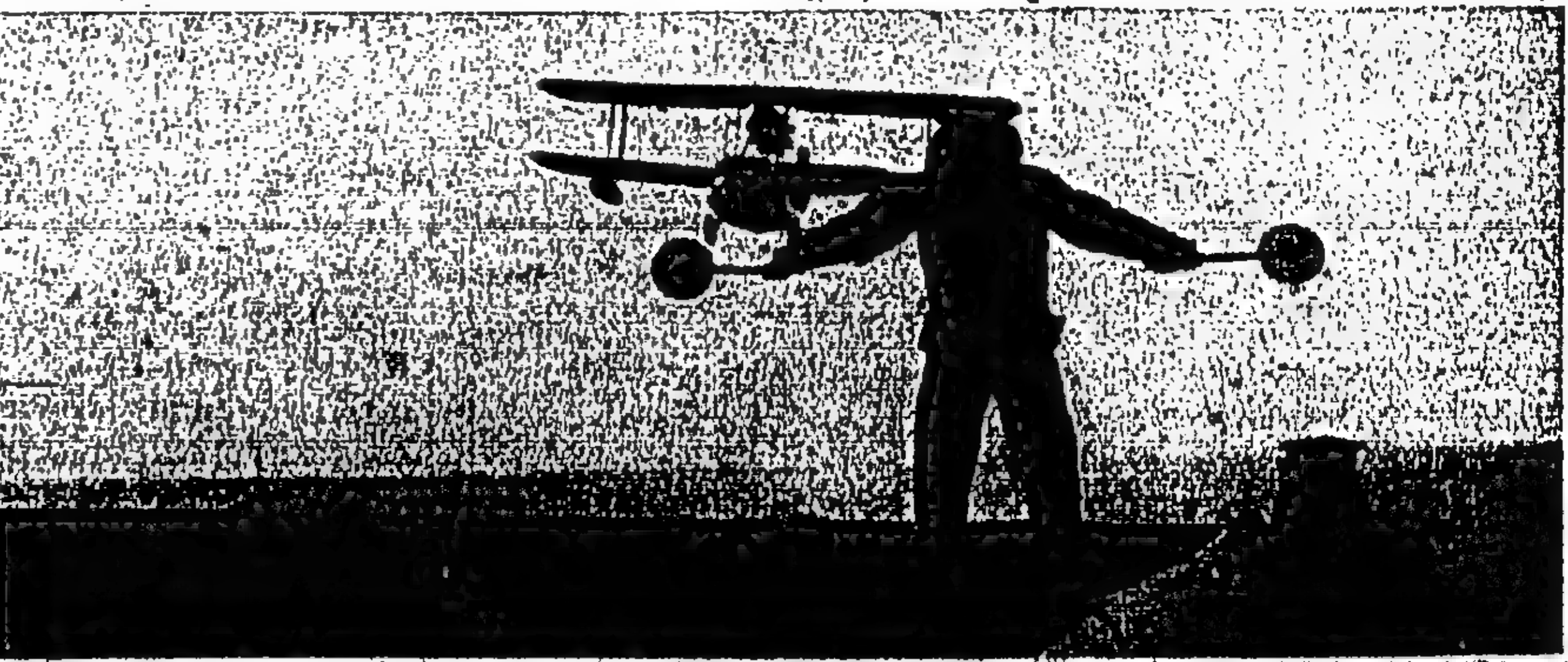
These are Blackburn Skua dive-bombers assembled on the deck of the carrier. They are ready to take off to attack the enemy.



An aircraft flying off to take part in the attack.



The Bismarck was damaged by torpedoes of this type, seen in this picture being launched from a Fairey Swordfish plane.



Return after a successful operation. Signals guide the landing on the aircraft carrier.

Details of the sinking of the giant Nazi battleship, Bismarck, as issued by the Admiralty and published in the "Telegraph" yesterday, have thrilled all Hongkong just as the news has excited the imagination of people all over the world.

The communique makes mention of the big part which aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm played in running down and shattering the enemy battleship. In the determined pursuit of the Bismarck by British naval forces seeking to avenge the chance sinking of H.M.S. Hood, the first blows were struck by naval torpedo aircraft from the aircraft carrier, Victorious. Subsequently, torpedo aircraft from the Ark Royal also attacked the Bismarck by the same means.

These successful attacks caused damage to the Nazi battleship and slowed it down, paving the way for its eventual dispatch to the depths by the surface battle fleet.

The Fleet Air Arm has by this latest exploit proved once again its strength and the effectiveness of aerial torpedo attack. The first big success secured by use of this method of warfare was at Taranto, when Mussolini's much-vaunted battle fleet was cut to pieces.

The development of flying for war purposes originated in the British Navy. Its earliest pioneers, who included Admiral Sir Cecil Talbot, now Director of Dockyards, and Sir Archibald Cochrane, until recently Governor of Burma, were submarine officers who understood the effectiveness of the torpedo as a weapon. During the past few years, and especially since the outbreak of the present war, this branch of the fighting services has been brought to a high pitch of efficiency.

The Fleet Air Arm is served by many types of aircraft, including dive-bombers and fighters, but the torpedo plane remains the speciality. One of the most striking features of this method of warfare is that it is designed with a single eye to hitting the target with precision. Should the torpedoes, or the dive-bombers' bombs, miss their mark, civilians do not suffer, as British and other European civilian populations suffer so cruelly at the hands of German pilots. The Navy, true to its tradition, strikes fiercely at its enemy's armed forces, but spares non-combatants.—A. C. G.

## Opposite Numbers

### 4 NAVY CHIEFS

ERICH RAEDER, Commander-in-Chief of the Nazi Navy. His rank, Grand Admiral; his age, sixty-four; his reputation, shrewd, capable sailor, a martinet in discipline.



Raeder

As a young officer of the old Imperial Navy he was navigator of the Kaiser's yacht; during the last war he was Chief of Staff to Admiral Hipper, Commander-in-Chief of the German battle-cruisers.

He knows what it is to be at the receiving end of the Royal Navy's merciless artillery. He was in the Lusitania at Jutland when she was pounded by the gunfire of our big ships, but Raeder escaped.

His chief amusements are listening to music—particularly Furtwangler's—and watching football. His chief abnormalities, women's short hair, short skirts, cosmetics and cigarettes. Best saying: "We do not underestimate England's strength."

VICE-ADMIRAL J. C. TOVEY, Commander-in-Chief of the Home Fleet, has shown himself markedly dissimilar from his opposite number. He has been making no vaunting speeches, telling the world, like the prize-fighter of old, just what he plans to do.

Jack Tovey has done a great part of sailing—in destroyers. In the Onslow, destroyer, at Jutland he stood in to the cruiser Wiesbaden and hit her again and again with his small guns. His craft disabled, he had a crack at the Derfflinger, a capital ship, and finally had to be taken in tow. All this won him a D.S.O. Kipling wrote a story about it.

Is said to be just the man to throw everything at the Germans when the right time comes.

Tovey (pronounced Tuvvy) is sixty, and in vigour a young man. The Navy to a man respects him. Best saying: "Tovey doesn't talk."



Tovey

## Total Warfare means Total Sacrifice

MERE WORDS FAIL to emphasise the gravity of the great fight against brutality and oppression, in which we are so seriously engaged. The hordes of Hitler are desperate in their fiendish desire to obliterate the British Empire, and all that it stands for. It is total warfare. Total in the sense that not only are our gallant sailors, soldiers and airmen involved, but civilians as well.

ALREADY THE TOLL of lives amongst the civilian population of the British Isles, is heavy. Already, innocent children are being maimed and blinded. The scene is poignantly grim. Our folk who are in the midst of the holocaust come up smiling after every onslaught—even though they have tears in their eyes and anguish in their hearts. They are Undaunted! Unconquerable!

THEY ARE ENCOURAGED by the great help they are receiving from their kindred nations overseas. In common with the rest of the Empire, Hongkong is helping. Nearly a year ago, the Bomber Fund was started, and thanks to the generosity and the sacrifice of many, over two million dollars have now been subscribed and placed at the disposal of the British Government for the purchase of bombers—so urgently needed to avenge the innocents who have fallen, and to smash the German war machine.

HONGKONG is doing well, but can do still better. There have been magnificent contributions to the Bomber Fund, and there has been great sacrifice on the part of some who have given again and again. Let it be remembered however, that the two million dollars would not have been recorded but for the humble gifts from those who could afford no more.

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## Japanese Deficiency In Science

Govt Stimulation Not Likely To Succeed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, May 28 (Domel).—The Government programme for accelerating progress in the scientific and technical branches as an essential to the construction of national defence, was hailed by newspapers including the "Kokumin" and the "Yomiuri" this morning.

"Better late than never," these papers declare. Scientific and technical facilities in Japan are below world levels, these papers point out, blaming Japanese politicians' ignorance of and indifference to scientific matters for the situation.

Warning scientists and technicians against their excessive academic attitude, these papers urge the students of science and technical skill to turn their abilities to State purposes.

**Total Scientific Spirit**

The "Kokumin Shimbun" says that the Japanese spirit has never been "unscientific" as many believe. This spirit, must be made "more scientific" because a total war cannot be waged without the nation being armed with a scientific spirit.

While endorsing the proposed "new structure of scientific skill" the "Yomiuri Shimbun" is sceptical whether the proposed facilities for researches in science and technical skill will be realised. So many new Government offices have been created since the outbreak of the China campaign and yet these have failed to achieve their original aims, the paper warns.

## Delay In Riom Trials

The lack of energy shown by the Riom Court in getting on with the trial of a number of French political and military leaders, among whom are the ex-Premiers, MM. Daladier, Reynaud and Blum, and the former C-in-C, Gen. Gamelin, is described as "suspicious" in some Spanish quarters.

According to the latest reports, which are not denied by the Press of unoccupied France, the trial has once more been postponed.

The Paris correspondent of the Madrid newspaper "ABC," states that allegations made by the accused against former high officials of the Vichy Administration have made the Riom Court "afraid to let the cat out of the bag."

## A Zoological Monstrosity Hitler Described

LONDON, May 28 (Reuter).—Hitler is a zoological monstrosity according to Professor Gerbrandt, Prime Minister of the Netherlands.

Speaking in London to-day the Professor described Hitler as "this creature which combines the strength of the rhinoceros, the poison fangs of the snake and the stench of a polidog... inspires only loathing and disgust because it clutches with dishonest hands at the tree of life planted in our Christian civilisation."

## PRINCE BERNHARD, AIRMAN, TELLS OF DUTCH EFFORTS

LONDON, May 28 (Reuter).—Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands recently won his wings and appeared at a meeting in the uniform of an Air Commodore.

He announced that the "Prince Bernhard Fund" has now reached £1,200,000 which had brought 32 bombers manned by Dutch crews and operating from England. Seventy-nine fighters had been presented to the British Government. The Prince added, "Our army too, is getting ready. Extensive forces are now being trained in England and Canada."

## Excessively Valiant Japanese Soldier Will Get Quick Promotion

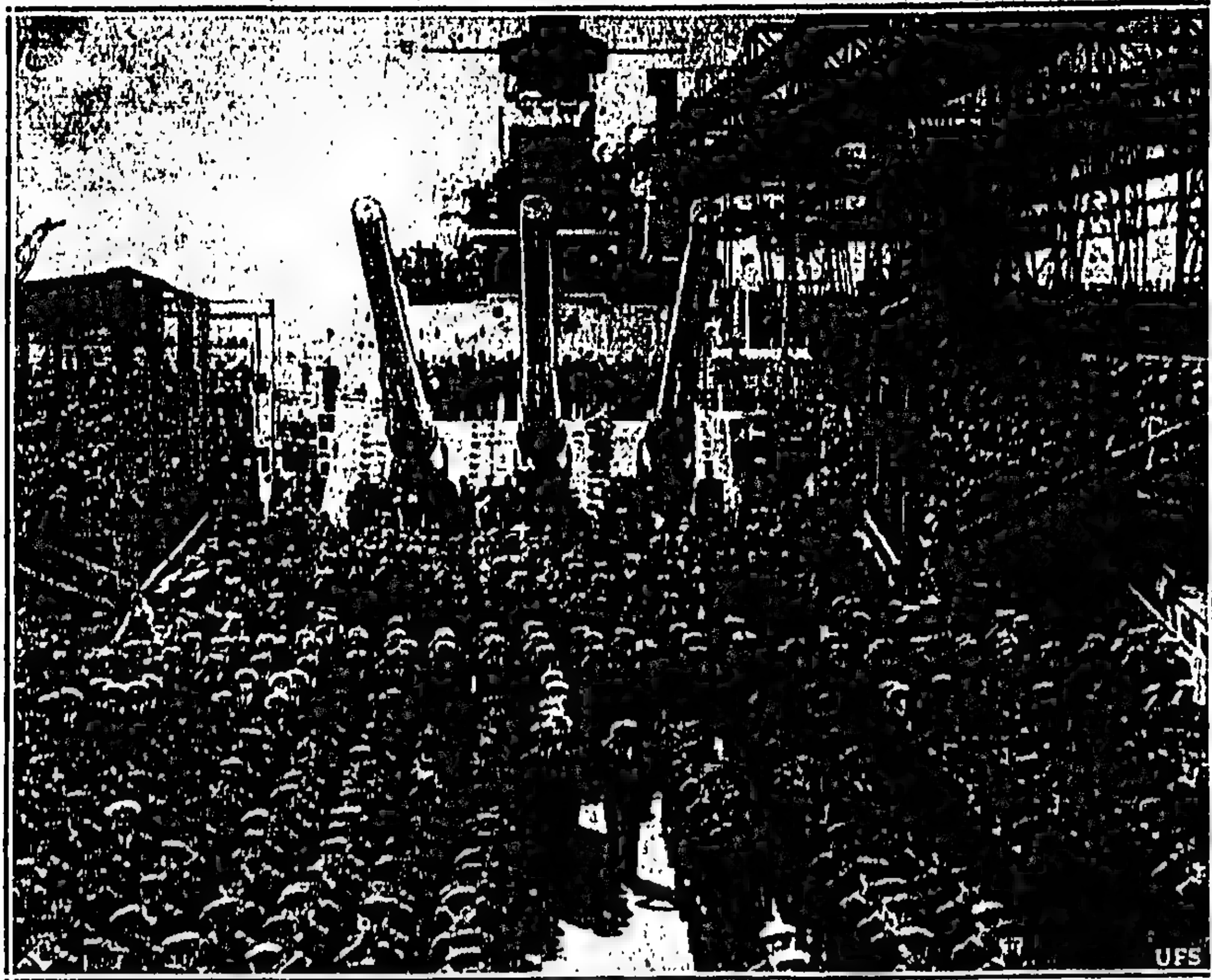
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, May 28 (Domel).—Following recent changes in Army promotion regulations providing for two-grade elevations of meritorious officers, revised regulations governing the appointment of lower Army officers are being promulgated on May 29.

Non-commissioned officers including Sergeants, may be accorded officer commission immediately when their excessively valiant deeds in the face of enemy are commended by Commander before the whole force, or when the War Minister proclaims them as model soldiers to the whole Army. Similar distinguished treatment will be given to those who have made exceptionally brilliant contributions toward military matters.

When cadets or non-commissioned officers eligible for officer commission have achieved such distinguished services the new regulations enable them to be promoted at once to the rank of Lieutenant instead of Sub-Lieutenant as hitherto.

Superior Privates may be appointed Sergeants without serving as Corporal, according to the distinguished service regulations.



**BIG SHIP**—Crew stands at attention on the quarterdeck of the new U. S. battleship, North Carolina, as the sea fighter goes into commission at Brooklyn, N. Y., Navy Yard. Three of her nine 16-inch guns are seen. She carries 100 officers and 1,600 men and is the mightiest war vessel afloat.

## PARLIAMENT SHOULD HAVE YOUNGER BLOOD

A resolution carried at a meeting of the Central Council of the National Union of Conservative and Unionist Associations recently on the motion of Major Sir Derrick Gunston, M.P., emphasised the urgent need for enlisting in the public service younger people of proved capacity, and stated that "the possession of wealth or the backing of vested interests should never be tacitly accepted as a principal qualification for a local or Parliamentary candidature."

Sir Derrick said: "The prophet Joel spoke about young men seeing visions and old men dreaming dreams. The dictatorship countries are led by comparatively young men who have certainly seen visions through evil, of conquest and the brutal use of seemingly irresistible force."

"They provide a contrast to the democracies, who on the whole were led by old men who dreamed dreams of Europe before the days of Hitler, with an outstanding exception in the present Prime Minister, who was always awake to the dangers."

**Money Mind**

Warning party selection committees against paying too much attention to the money asset in choosing candidates, he quoted the case of a man of means who was interviewed by a selection committee.

The committee asked him if he would agree to pay £2000 election expenses, subscribe £500 a year to local charities. He said he would, and was then told he would be recommended as a proper person to represent them.

He replied: "But are you fit and proper persons to be represented by me? I have come to the conclusion you are not," and he put on his hat and walked out.

Sir Derrick asked: "Are you going to allow this iniquitous system to continue because you are too lazy to work and raise the subscriptions yourselves, with the result that unintentionally you do in fact sell to the highest bidder? If you put a premium on riches you tend to put a premium on age."

**Labour No Better**

The Labour party was no better. "They may not have so many rich men, though, curiously enough, the parable about it being more difficult for a rich man to enter the Kingdom of Heaven than a camel to pass through the eye of a needle does not apply to a rich Socialist who wants to sit for a particularly Red seat."

## Life Is Good Now In Internment Camps

Conditions in the internment camps in Britain have been so much improved that those concerned with the welfare of refugees now want to get people into them instead of out of them. That is, of course, subject to the release of the ardent anti-Nazis who want to be in the struggle, writes a "Daily Herald" reporter.

The voluntary internees would be elderly refugees or those unable to find work.

The leader of one of the biggest refugee organisations, who has recently been to the Isle of Man, was enthusiastic about the reforms which have taken place.

"I cannot speak too highly," he said, "of the officials in charge of the camps."

"They are administering the new, humanised system, admirably, and with the full co-operation of the internees."

"House and camp leaders have been elected by the internees, and they work excellently with the camp administration."

"Camps which were cause for complaint are now running smoothly under the Home Office."

"This is partly due to the fact that the wholesale, indiscriminate internment of anti-Nazis is being remedied."

**Likely To Close**

"When the panic-internment took place after the invasion of the Low Countries, camps were grossly overcrowded and the administration disgracefully overworked."

"Now the internee population of

The Labour bugbear is the vested interests of the trade unions," he said.

He had discovered the ages of 520 M.P.s. Out of them 89 per cent. were over 40, while the old-age pension was given on age alone about one in three would receive the old-age pension.

**Give Youth A Chance**

Sir Derrick concluded: "We must see that the best of our splendid youth who have proved themselves in the fire of battle and have dedicated their lives to the nation in war-time must not be frustrated from serving here in peace."

Mrs Tate, M.P., opposing the resolution, said she had seen young M.P.s fall asleep in the House, but "I have watched Mr Lloyd George, Earl Winterston, and the Prime Minister. They never fall asleep. There are young people there whose mouths fall gently open before their meal because of the vacuity of their minds and fall gently open after the meal because they are asleep," she said.

## Death Of Wealthy Charity Worker

Mrs Pilar Advincula-Javellana, wealthy charity worker and philanthropist, died suddenly of heart failure at Hilo, P.I., recently.

She was the wife of Angel Javellana, one of the wealthiest landowners and businessmen of Hilo, and was especially prominent in religious activities.

She was an aunt and adopted mother of Mrs Juanita Javellana-Ledesma, wife of the Hilo City mayor and acting provincial governor, Oscar Ledesma.

## If Nazis Use Blister Gas

PHARMACIES throughout Great Britain are to be asked to help in a scheme to make bleach cream available for members of the public if the enemy uses blister gas. This has been disclosed in the "Lancet."

The proprietor of each pharmacy, having been provided by the authority with two enamel pails and 14lb. of tropical bleach cream in the pails, is to be asked, as soon as gas is used, to mix bleach cream in the pails, and if blister gas is being dropped in the vicinity to place the pails of cream on the pavement outside his shop with a poster instructing the public how to apply it.

## Man Choked By Steak

MR JOHN WOOD NEWTON, forty-one-year-old company director, who had important war contracts with the U.S. aircraft industry, was entertaining a friend in a West End restaurant to a luncheon of smoked salmon and beefsteak, when he began to cough and change colour. Assisted downstairs by his friend, he collapsed and died.

At the inquest held in Westminster, Sir Bernard Spilsbury said death was due to a large piece of meat "going down the wrong way."

A verdict of "Death by misadventure" was returned by the coroner, Mr Bentley Purchase.

## BBC Ban Now Lifted

Churchill Explains

Announcement by the Prime Minister that the B.B.C. had lifted its ban on artists who supported the People's Convention followed many protests on the subject.

The ban applied to Michael Redgrave, the film star; Miss Beatrix Lehmann, the actress; Mr Lew Stone, band leader, and many other well-known people.

Dr R. Vaughan Williams, the composer, withdrew a choral song as a protest after the B.B.C. banned the works of Dr Alan Bush, of the Royal Academy of Music.

Mr Churchill told the House of Commons recently that while it was no part of the Government's policy to accord the facilities of the microphone to persons whose words or actions might hamper the nation, the connection between these and musical performances was not apparent.

## First Edition Of Keats Sold

In 1874 John Addington Symonds, the critic and poet, presented a copy of the first edition of Keats' "Endymion," 1818, to his bosom friend, Prof. A. C. Bradley. At Sotheby's recently Mr Ernest Maggs gave £72 for it.

A rare survivor of St Jerome's "Lives of the Fathers," printed in 1495 at Westminster by Caxton's successor at Westminster, "The Works of the Fathers," brought £250. There was good bidding for books in a two days' sale totalling nearly £23,000.

## Cheque For Bombers

Sent To London

Owing to upwards of \$135,000 being received in donations yesterday, for the Bomber Fund, and the total reaching over \$2,115,500, it was possible to send a very large instalment to the British Government towards the purchase of aeroplanes.

The South China Morning Post, Ltd. remitted yesterday the sum of \$14,000, the equivalent of H.K. \$224,467.64.

## H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

**BANKS**

H.K. Banks \$.....1,312½ n.  
H.K. Banks \$.....78 n.  
H.K. Banks (H.K.) \$.....78 n.  
Chartered \$.....87½ n.  
Mercantile, A. & B. \$.....22½ n.  
Mercantile C. \$.....10½ n.  
East Asia \$.....71 b.

**INSURANCES**

Cantons \$.....220 n.  
Union \$.....405 n.  
China Underwriters \$.....1 n.  
H. K. Fire \$.....170 b.

**SHIPPING**

Douglas \$.....128 n.  
Steamboats \$.....8 n.  
Indo-Chinas P. \$.....80 b.  
Indo-Chinas D. \$.....60 n.  
Shell (Bearers) s/-.....40/7½ n.  
Waterboats \$.....655 n.

**DOCKS ETC.**

Wharves \$.....65½ n.  
Docks \$.....14.80  
Provident \$.....5 b.  
Shui Dockyard \$.....25½ n.

**MINING**

Kallan s/-.....11 n.  
Raubs \$.....8 n.  
H.K. Mines \$.....1¼ cts. n.

**LANDS**

Hotels \$.....285 b.  
Lands \$.....31 b.  
Lands 4½ Debentures.....07½ n.  
Shui Lands Sh. \$.....13 n.  
Humphreys \$.....6.40 ss.  
H.K. Realities \$.....2.70 n.  
Chinese Estates \$......09 n.

**UTILITIES**

Trams \$.....15½ b.  
Peak Trams (old) \$.....7½ n.  
Peak Trams (new) \$.....3½ n.  
Star Ferries \$.....51½ n.  
Y. Ferries \$.....21.35 n.  
China Lights (old) \$.....5.70 b.  
China Lights (new) \$.....1½ n.  
H.K. Electric (old) x rts \$.....22 n.  
H.K. Electric (new) \$.....20.85 ss.  
H.K. Electric Ris \$.....11 ss.  
Macao Electric \$.....18.65 b.  
Sandakan Lights \$.....12 n.  
Telephones (old) \$.....22.00 n.  
Telephones (new) \$.....9½ n.

**INDUSTRIALS**

Cald. Macg. (Ord.) Sh. \$.....30 n.  
Cald. Macg. (Pref.) Sh. \$.....25 n.  
Canton Teas \$.....1 n.  
Cemets \$.....13½ n.  
H.K. Ropes \$.....6.70 n.

**STORES, &c.**

Dairy Farms \$.....17½ n.  
Watsons \$.....9½ n.  
Lane Crawford \$.....7½ n.  
Sinceres \$.....2.15 n.  
Wing On (H.K.) \$.....39 n.  
Powell Ltd. \$.....1½ n.

**COTTON MILLS**

Ewo Sh. \$.....33½ n.  
Shui Cotton Sh. \$.....265 n.

**MISC.**

H.K. Govt 4%......07 n.  
H.K. Govt 3½% (1934).....04½ n.  
H.K. Govt 3½% (1940)......04 n.  
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 Gds......04 b.  
Entertainments \$.....1.00 n.  
Constructions (new) \$.....1.00 n.  
Vibro Filing \$.....7.25 n.  
Marmans Inv. (Low) \$.....6/3 n.  
Marmans Inv. (H.K.) s/- 2½½ n.

**Wanted Rouge For 1977**

Rouge and face powders are short in Britain. The hoarders know it, but what do they care! A woman came in last week and demanded 36 boxes of a certain type of rouge, an assistant at a West End beauty counter told a reporter.

"I pointed out to her that each box would last her a year, and that what she was trying to buy was a 36 years' supply."

"That annoyed her. She seemed to think I was very impertinent to mention it."

"After all, when a box of rouge is going to last a minimum of twelve months it might be reasonable for a woman to ask for two boxes, or even three."

"But when they try to buy up a 36 years' supply..."

## British Control Law Test

A Yale clinical professor of medicine, Silber Tlestone, filed suit recently in New Haven challenging the constitutionality of Connecticut's birth control ban.

He asked a declaratory judgment so he could prescribe for three women patients without fear of prosecution.

It was a matter of "life or death," he said, that these women be instructed in birth control practices.

Early last year, the court reversed a lower court decision voiding the law. As a result, the Connecticut Birth Control League closed nine clinics and at the current session of the legislature supported a bill repealing the 70-year-old act.

## INDIAN PRESS VISIT

A party of 16 newspaper representatives from India and one official photographer arrived in Singapore from Madras recently on a tour of Malaya arranged under the auspices of the Government of India.



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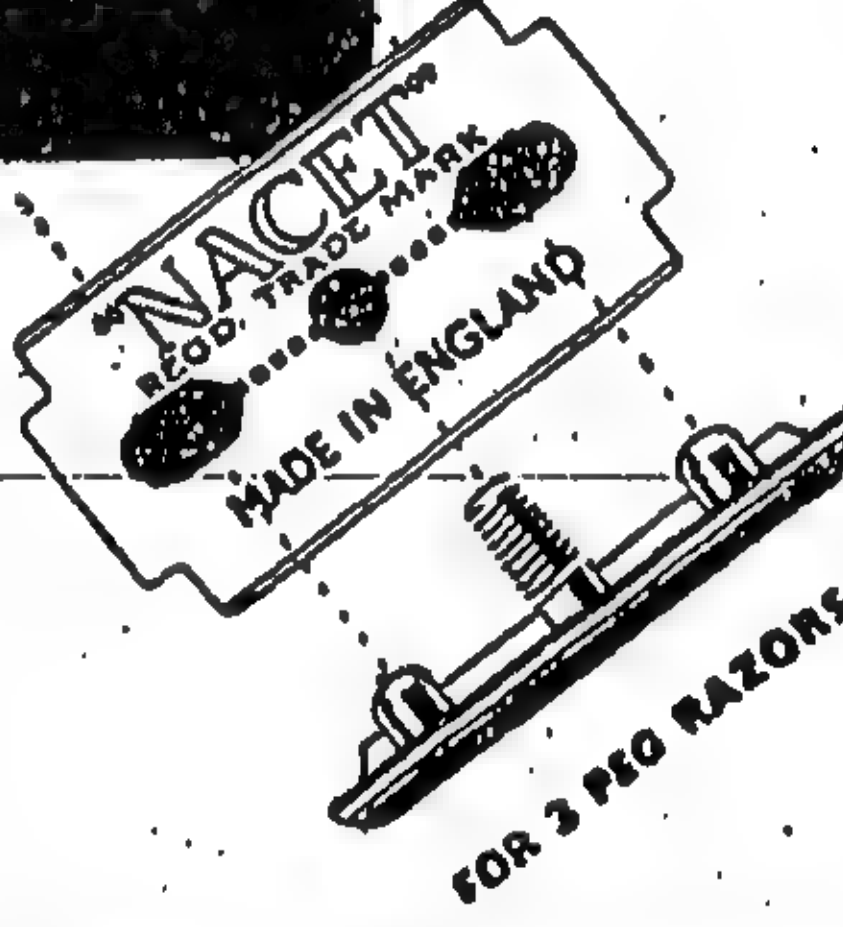
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# "WICK'S" BOWLS NOTES

## Strong Combinations In Open Championships

### Unfounded Fears Of Entries Falling Off

### Excellent League Games On Week-end Programme

A HARDY LOT though I know local lawn bowlers to be, I thought, when the heavy rain fell at lunch time on Saturday, that all matches in the League would have to be cancelled; but I was mistaken. Three clubs defied the sodden greens and the threatening weather, and three junior matches were decided.

Perhaps the most interesting—certainly the closest—was that in the Third Division between Indian R.C. and Kowloon B.G.C. Hitherto undefeated, the Indians lost by two shots after an encounter in which the issue was in doubt until the very last head.

The visitors arrived at Sookunpoo three men short, and it was just as well for them that their senior matches had been cancelled, for two members of their senior teams—P. A. Peckham and W. McNeill—turned up to see the game. Both were roped in to play and the "boy" who brought the woods down to Sookunpoo made up the third.

It is peculiar, but nevertheless true, that McNeill, normally the best of the three commandeer players, was the worst on the day's play. Using strange woods, he failed to settle down. Peckham was steady at No. 1, but the "boy" was positively brilliant after a shaky start.

The President of the Association, Sir Atholl MacGregor, turned out as No. 2 for the Bowling Green and seemed to be enjoying his game immensely. He played very well. The green was not as heavy as it looked and, by all appearances, was playing better than one would have expected, all things considered.

ENTRIES for the Colony championships have been published, though at the time of writing the lists from several clubs had not yet been returned to the Hon. Secretary of the Association.

Owing to the dislocation caused by Volunteer duties and other factors last summer, it was at one time feared that the championship entries would show a substantial falling-off. However, this fear, as the entries show, has proved unfounded. M. N. Rakusen, last year's singles champion, is defending his title. No player has ever won the singles two years in succession and if the championship has other ideas, there are men like M. R. Abbas (runner-up last year), U. M. Omar, B. W. Bradbury,

### SPORTS ADVT.

#### THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

The SIXTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held weather permitting, on SATURDAY, 31st May, and MONDAY, 2nd June, 1941, commencing at 2.00 p.m. on Saturday and at 11.30 a.m. on Monday. The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. on the first day and at 11.00 a.m. on the second day.

The fifth interval will be after the fourth race on the second day. MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 per day for Gentlemen and \$3.00 per day for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for payment of all bills, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27704) will close at 11.45 a.m. on Saturday, and at 9.45 a.m. on Monday. Tickets are obtainable at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 21202).

No children or animals will be admitted to either Enclosure.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 per day including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order, C. B. BROWN, Secretary. Hongkong, 20th May, 1941.

THE NEW FRENCH REMEDY  
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THERAPION No. 3

A. E. Cotes, A. R. Dallah, R. F. da Luz, R. Duncan, A. Hyde-Lay (former champions), A. R. Dallah, A. J. Hall, F. X. M. da Silva and C. G. Silva who will be out to prove him wrong.

H. A. ALVES and F. V. V. Ribeiro last year did what no other pair had done before: they won the Pairs Championship two years running.

They may expect stiff competition this year from such pairs as A. E. Cotes and B. W. Bradbury; A. M. Omar and U. M. Omar; M. R. Abbas and A. R. Dallah; L. J. Silva and J. F. V. Ribeiro; J. E. Noronha and C. G. Silva; C. M. da Silva and F. X. Soares; C. Rozza-Pereira and F. X. Soares; W. L. Walker and R. Duncan; W. J. Burling and M. N. Rakusen; and J. V. Ramsay and R. Morrison.

These on paper at any rate, appear to be the most formidable pairs in the competition.

So many "strong" rinks were eliminated in the early rounds of the Rinks Championship last year that I hesitate to make any forecast about this year's tournament.

The defending champions, R. Bass, A. E. Cotes, J. S. Landolt and C. S. Rossetti, are determined to crush all opposition, but they have a job ahead of them, but they have a few instances. I believe, players have banded together to have a crack at the championship instead of splitting up their strength into many rinks.

J. Shepherd, of the Police, has got together his hitherto unbeaten League rinks, made up of himself as skip, W. McLeod as No. 1, W. B. Harris No. 2 and W. S. Dall No. 3. Another good Police rinks is E. G. Post, W. Cameron, J. Oram and J. C. S. Reader.

Then there is the Craigengower rinks of A. M. Omar, K. M. Omar, B. W. Bradbury and U. M. Omar. To say that such a combination ought to go far would be very true indeed.

From the I.R.C., the strongest rinks appear to be that of J. Hoosen, A. M. Rahnjahn, A. R. Dallah, and M. R. Abbas. The best rinks from Club de Recreio are L. J. Silva, H. A. Alves, F. V. V. Ribeiro and A. M. Rodrigues; J. A. Luz, C. E. Marques, J. F. V. Ribeiro and C. G. Silva; and F. A. Machado, C. M. Silva, R. F. Luz and F. X. M. da Silva.

A strong challenge is forthcoming from Kowloon B.G.C., who have W. L. Walker, J. C. Gill, J. McKelvie and A. M. Holland; L. Sykes, W. McNeill, R. Duncan and A. J. Hall; and E. Seard, P. Peckham, R. P. Phillips and A. Hyde-Lay.

From other clubs, the best rinks appear to be J. Gellahy, V. E. Ebbs, J. F. McGowan and M. N. Rakusen (Civil Service) and J. V. Ramsay, T. Coleman, M. Ferguson and R. Morrison (Kowloon Docks).

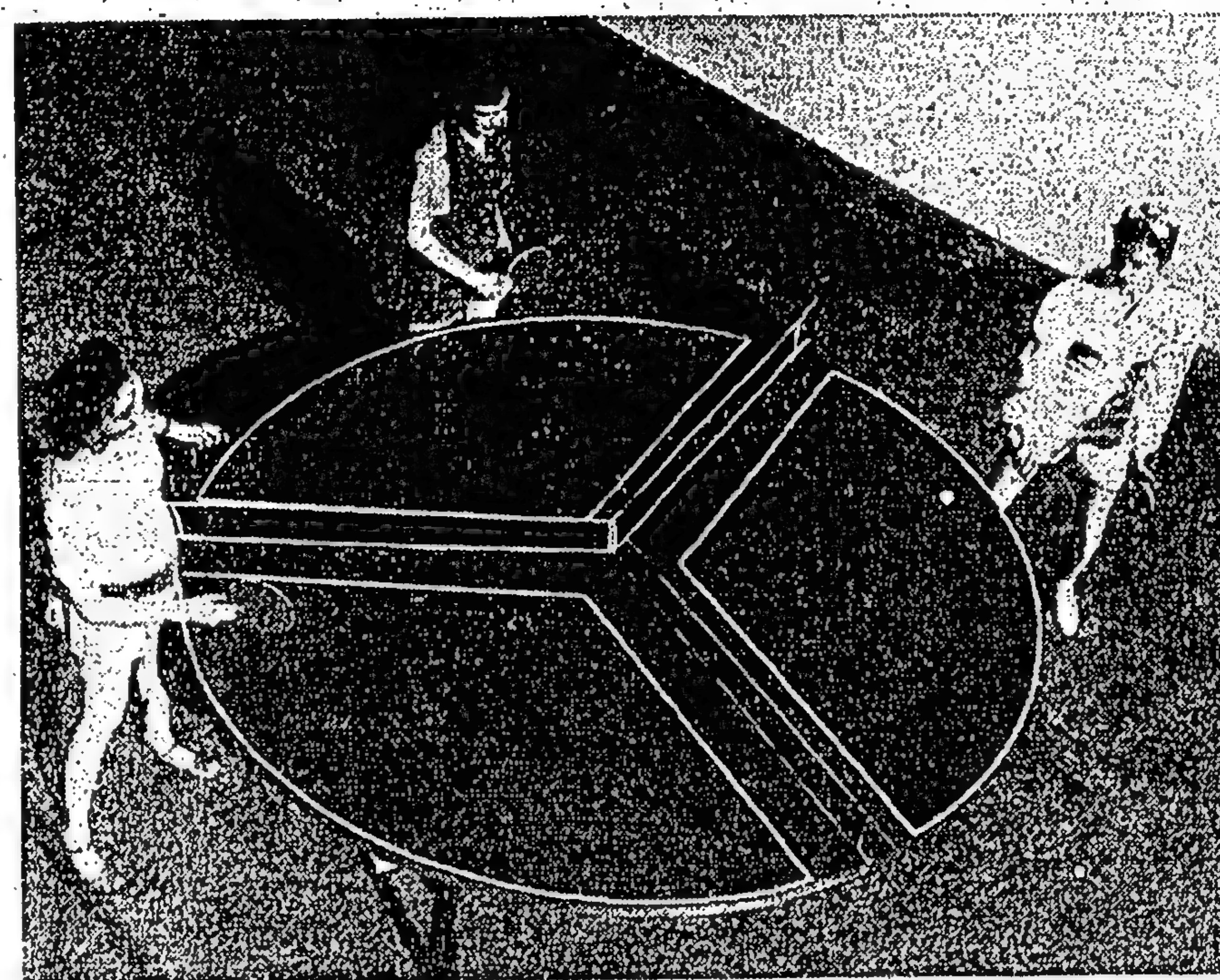
SOME excellent matches are down for decision this week, the best of these being that between Kowloon B.G.C. "A" and Recreio "A".

After their defeat by the Indians at Sookunpoo, the K.B.G.C. made several changes in the side, and from their point of view, it was rather a pity that their match against Civil Service on Saturday was not played as it would have given them an opportunity of ascertaining how the changes affected the side.

This week's game will be played at Austin Road and the home team, I am sure, will make the champions go all out.

Craigengower C.C. will have a chance of lowering the colours of the unbeaten Recreio "B" and they will, too. The Police, at least, ought to beat the weak Kowloon "C".

More even will be the matches between Civil Service and K.B.G.C. "B" (at Happy Valley), and between Indian R.C. and Kowloon Docks. The home teams in each case should win.



An elaboration of table tennis that is gaining popularity in the United States. The three-way competition provides for greater skill, while the players have to be constantly on the alert.

### Inter-Hong Swimming Gala On June 11

An inter-hong swimming gala in aid of the Bomber Fund and Y.M.C.A. Charities will be held on June 11 when six Hong Kong-Bank, Jardines, Butterfield and Swire, Hongkong Electric, Dodswells and Kowloon Docks, will compete.

Competition promises to be keen, and as there are only four lanes, heats will have to be swum. There are several other events, however, which will help to break up the programme and a water-polo match, which should take at least 25 minutes, will give finalists a breather before the finals.

### 200 Yards Relay

Novelty events and invitation relays will also be held, and the combined homes should hold their own against Y.M.C.A. Combined Services and Civil Service in the 200 yards relay.

Dodswells have not yet arranged for their team but will have the services of L. A. Benn, P. Wilson, L. C. Baker, D. H. Stewart, Miss Diana Dodwell, A. W. Saller, and Mrs Gertrude Goddard.

Entries are: 100 Yards Medley Relay. Hongkong Bank—F. Hyde, M. F. L. Haynes, D. G. Day, F. M. Thompson, H. and S. V. G. H. Upton, A. Stewart, R. G. Castleton, A. C. Hutchinson, Jardines—E. A. Roberts, E. A. Gaubert, D. D. Jones, D. J. Maycock, K. Sloan, D. Hutchinson, G. Saunders, Kowloon Dock—B. Barkus, M. Lozan, M. Dietrich, A. S. Billa, Veterans (Over 40) 25 yards—C. F. Hyde (Bank), G. Campbell (Bank) and S. D. Newbould (Jardines), W. R. Smith (Electric), C. Logan (Docks).

From the Civil Service (Bank), J. A. Stewart (B. and S.), N. D. Booker (Jardines), G. Saunders (Electric), M. Dietrich (Docks).

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### League Tennis

## Recreio Beat Kowloon In Postponed Game

### "C" Division Fixtures

PLAYING their "A" Division League tennis match postponed from Monday, the Kowloon Cricket Club entertained and lost to the Club de Recreio 2-7 yesterday. Four of the scheduled "C" Division games were also played.

### Baer's Title Claim Rejected By Commission

WASHINGTON, May 28 (Reuter).—The District of Columbia Boxing Commission have rejected Buddy Baer's claim to the world heavyweight title. Baer's claim was based on an allegation that Joe Louis hit him after the gong had sounded in the sixth round of the title bout recently. The Commission upheld the decision of Referee Donovan in disqualifying Baer. The Chairman announced that the promoter, Mike Jacobs, has agreed to a match between Baer and Louis again for the title at Washington in the first week in October.

### Gymkhana Postponed To October

THE POLO CLUB GYMKHANA, postponed for a second time on Saturday last owing to the rain, has now been put off until October. The whole was in aid of the British War Organisation Fund, and it has been regretfully decided that owing to the unlikelihood of there being any decent spells of fine weather in which to keep the ponies fit, the gymkhana will be put over to October.

Ticket holders will have their money refunded, should they wish, on application to Mr W. T. Stanton, Exchange Building.

The Entertainments Committee of the B.W.O.F. are grateful to all who sent donations towards the gymkhana, and to all who gave up so much time in the preparations.

### Air Squadron Named After Ranjitsinjhi

BOMBAY, May 15 (Reuter).—Cricketers in India, where Maharajahs have retained the International championship by beating Madras, are, through the Indian States Sports Federation, establishing a Ranji Air Squadron

A. V. Remedios and J. Goncalves were the most successful pair for Recreio, winning all three matches, while for Kowloon, A. Crawford and S. A. Gray were the only pair able to win a set. They beat W. A. Reed and J. J. Remedios, drew with H. A. Barros and C. A. Barreto and lost to Remedios and Goncalves.

E. C. Fincher and G. C. Burnett lost all three games, though two were by scores of 5-7 only. E. F. Fincher and N. A. E. Mackay took half a point when they drew with Reed and Remedios.

In the "C" Division, the Chinese R.C. "B" v. University match was postponed.

Scores were: KOWLOON v. RECREIO. Kowloon lost to Recreio 2-7. E. C. Fincher and G. C. Burnett lost to H. A. Barros and C. A. Barreto 5-7; lost to W. A. Reed and J. J. Remedios 5-7; lost to A. V. Remedios and J. Goncalves 2-6.

E. F. Fincher and N. A. E. Mackay lost to Barros and Barreto 5-6; drew with Reed and Remedios 5-6; lost to Remedios and Goncalves 2-6.

A. Crawford and S. A. Gray drew with Barros and Barreto 6-6; beat Reed and Remedios 6-2; lost to Remedios and Goncalves 2-6.

"C" Division. KOWLOON v. CHINESE A. Kowloon beat Chinese 5-5-3-5. Hazell and Llewellyn beat H. M. Chen and P. Yu 6-3; beat C. Wei and Y. C. Chan 7-5; beat C. C. Tang and S. Y. Tong 7-5.

Kios and Fisher beat Chan and Yu 6-4; beat Wei and Chan 7-5; drew with Tung and Tong 5-5.

Rebbington and Anderson lost to Chan and Yu 2-6; lost to Wei and Chan 3-6; lost to Tung and Tong 0-6.

K.I.T.C. v. CRAIGENGOWER. Kowloon Indians lost to Craigengower 2-7.

S. A. and S. S. Hunsain lost to J. W. Leonard and H. K. Lee 2-6; beat W. J. Howard and K. L. Woo 6-3; beat G. Lai and A. Hung 6-1.

Mahar Singh and S. A. M. Sopher lost to Leonard and Lee 2-6; lost to Howard and Woo 6-4; lost to Lai and Hung 3-6.

M. Ramzan and Y. J. Khan lost to Leonard and Lee 6-4; lost to Howard and Woo 6-4; lost to Lai and Hung 3-6.

KOWLOON TONG v. RECREIO. Kowloon Tong lost to Recreio 2-7. L. S. Chan and D. Kwok lost to H. K. Lee and H. W. Wong 4-6; lost to A. M. Silva and A. E. Noronha 4-6; beat F. J. Remedios and P. B. Doleho 7-5.

K. M. Lee and H. B. Enn drew with Noronha and Noronha 6-6; lost to Silva and Noronha 3-6; lost to Remedios and Doleho 3-6.

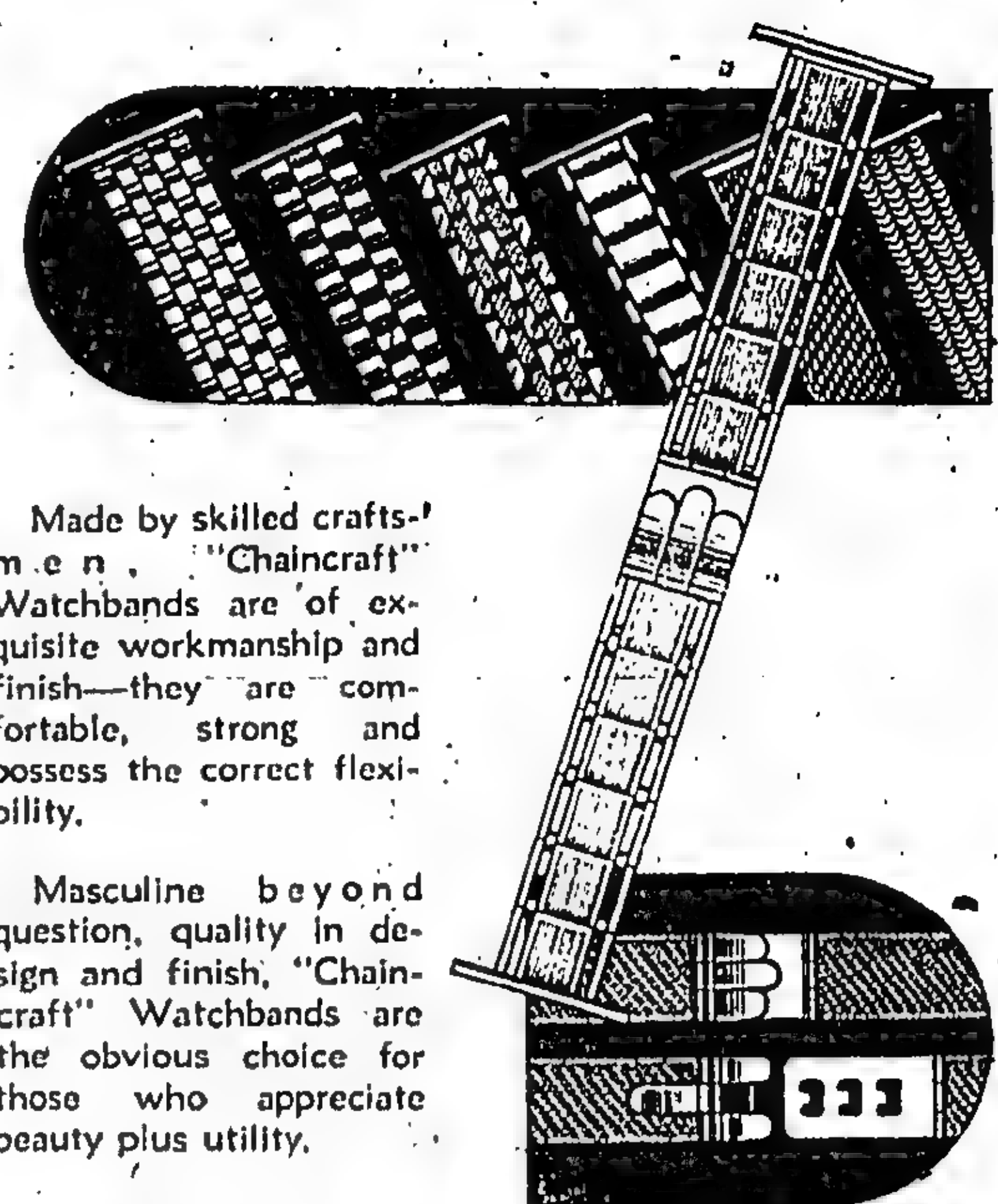
INDIANS v. SOUTH CHINA. Indians lost to South China 1-6. A. Rahmin and G. Singh lost to S. Y. Li and H. W. Wong 4-6; lost to J. Kwok and K. C. Wan 1-6; lost to K. Y. Chan and Y. K. Ng 2-6.

L. Kitchell and H. Hassan lost to Li and Wong 1-6; lost to Kwok and Wan 1-6; beat Chan and Ng 6-4.

M. P. Mader and A. R. H. Small lost to Li and Wong 4-6; lost to Kwok and Wan 0-6; lost to Chan and Ng 0-6.

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## British Aid For French Colonies

LONDON, May 28 (British Wireless).—Replying to Parliamentary questions, the Foreign Secretary recalled that in a letter to General de Gaulle on August 27 last relating to economic assistance for the Free French colonies, the Prime Minister gave an assurance that until such time as an independent constitutional authority had been re-established on Free French soil, Britain would do everything in her power to maintain the economic stability of overseas French territories provided that they stood by the alliance.

In the case of French territories which rallied to General de Gaulle in support of the Allied cause, subject to her own needs Britain would extend economic assistance on a scale similar to that she would supply in comparable circumstances, to the colonies of the British Empire.

That undertaking, Mr Eden said, was made public at the time and was broadcast to both France and the French colonies.

"It still holds good," he added, "and any French colony which decides to resume the struggle at our side can be certain that we shall do our best to meet their economic requirements."

## Indian War Measures Sabotage Precautions

MADRAS, May 28 (Reuters).—The present emergency has increased the risk of sabotage, illicit possession and sale of explosives and heightens the risk of sabotage to mines and industrial plants," says a Press note issued by the Provincial Government, announcing heavier penalties for illegally manufacturing, possessing and using explosive in such areas.

The penalty extends to imprisonment for five years or if there is intention to assist any state warring with His Majesty, to death, transportation for life or imprisonment up to ten years in addition to a fine.

## ANGLO-RUSSIAN STATUS OBSCURE

**Eden Again Questioned**  
LONDON, May 28 (Reuters).—Mr Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, was only able to give a formal reply in the House of Commons to-day to a question about Anglo-Russian relations.

He was asked when the British Ambassador, Sir Stafford Cripps, had had an interview with Mr. Stalin and whether any assurances were sought or given regarding Soviet intentions in the Near East.

Mr Eden said that while Sir Stafford had maintained regular contact with the Soviet Government, he had not recently had an interview with Mr. Stalin.

"With regard to the second part of the question, I am not in a position to make any statement."

## Halifax & Keynes Go To White House

WASHINGTON, May 28 (Reuters).—President Roosevelt invited Lord Halifax, the British Ambassador, and Mr. J. M. Keynes, the distinguished Cambridge economist, to the White House to-day, but the purpose of the engagement was not disclosed.

## Blitzed Buildings Of London

LONDON, May 28 (British Wireless).—Places of historic interest in London damaged in recent air raids include the Temple and Gray's Inn—both previously subjected to vicious attack—the Serjeants' Inn, and St Nicolas Cole Abbey.

## Selangor Rubber Strike

### Indian Agitation

LONDON, May 28 (Reuters).—The recent rubber strike at Selangor was raised at question time in the House of Commons to-day.

Mr C. H. Hall, Under-Secretary for the Colonies, declared that some 7,000 strikes were involved in serious strikes early in May and that the High Commissioner had reported considerable intimidation by the bands of strikers and five deaths in the disturbances between May 10 and May 15.

The High Commissioner had informed Lord Moyne, Secretary for the Colonies, that there was no justification for the strike and that wages of Indian estate workers in the rubber industry were at present higher than ever before and included cost of living allowances.

The district concerned had been subjected to considerable propaganda by adherents of the Central Indian Association of Malaya.

**Subversive Propaganda**  
The High Commissioner had informed Lord Moyne that there was clear evidence of subversive propaganda by one of these persons who was arrested on May 5 with the view to punishment.

The High Commissioner is actively concerning himself with a full and sympathetic examination of any grievances which the workers may advance.

Mr Sorensen suggested fuller investigations on the ground that "there must be something other than subversive grounds."

Mr Hall said that the High Commissioner was making a fuller investigation and that the Government was awaiting his report.

## Wavell's Campaign Vindicated

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trema rapidity with which the operations were carried through.

### Praise For Troops

Referring to the mines and demolitions left by the retreating Italians, Lord Birdwood said: "No troops could have done better than my Indian friends in circumventing these difficulties."

Lord Croft warmly commended with Lord Birdwood's praise of the Empire troops, notably the Indians and South Africans, and said: "When we realise the colossal distance travelled in the great hunt for the Bismarck, it gives more idea of the distances covered up the East African sea-coast to Addis Ababa, for within a month every capital of the Italian East African Empire was occupied."

### Mediterranean Drive

Dealing with the importance of the East African operations, Lord Croft declared that the obvious strategy of the Axis is to pinch out Egypt and the Suez Canal, and endeavour to drive us from the Mediterranean.

Our first great essential, therefore, was to remove the great menace of the Duke of Aosta's Army of 250,000 being able to attack us through the Sudan and Suez.

The success of the operations may well have been a very decisive influence on the momentous days which face us in the Middle East.

## London May Go On Dancing

DANCING in the London area will be allowed to continue as at present.

The decision has been reached by Mr Herbert Morrison, Minister for Home Security, following a review of recent air-raid casualties in dance halls.

Mr Morrison is anxious to interfere as little as possible with legitimate recreation.

He had to consider the relative risks and the possible effect of closing down this form of entertainment.

As hitherto, people attending dance halls will be warned when an Alert is sounded.

Managements will be under an obligation to inform dancers where the nearest shelters are.

### SIX MEN'S TASTE

The "New York Daily News" inquiring reporter asked six men which woman he would choose for an evening if he could choose and she would be chosen. All named girls from the movies, none named their wives.

### LATE NEWS

### Philippines Trans-shipment Watched

SHANGHAI, May 29 (Reuters).—Regulations against the re-export of American goods from the Philippines to foreign countries have been tightened up by a new ruling which requires an application for new export licences before such re-exports can be legally made, according to an American Consulate-General announcement.

The new applications must be presented to the United States Department of State and must name the proposed countries of ultimate destination.

**Re-Export Permits**  
Unless such applications are granted, re-export of American goods from the Philippines would constitute a violation of the Export Control Act and regulations, adds the announcement.

The new ruling is believed to be specially designed against the use whereby goods exported from the United States to the Philippines are re-shipped from the latter point to Russia and thence to Germany.

## War Marriage Rush Slowing Down

The Registrar-General's latest returns suggest that the rush of war marriages in Britain is slowing down. There were 131,254 during the 13 weeks ended Sept. 30, a decrease of 21,076 on the corresponding quarter of 1939.

Civilian deaths totalled 108,880, compared with 103,127 in 1939 and live births 149,249, a decrease of 11,774.

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## NEW WAR TAXATION RATES FOR HONGKONG: ALLOWANCES RAISED Interest Tax To Be Introduced As Further Source of Revenue

AN INCREASE IN THE BASIC RATES OF ALL FIVE WAR TAXES—SALARIES, BUSINESS PROFITS, PROPERTY, CORPORATIONS PROFITS AND INTEREST—IS RECOMMENDED BY THE RECONSTITUTED WAR REVENUE COMMITTEE IN ITS REPORT PRESENTED TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL THIS AFTERNOON, AND INCLUDED IN A PROPOSED DRAFT ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND CONSOLIDATE THE WAR REVENUE ORDINANCES OF 1940.

It is recommended that the basic rates be set at 6 per cent and 12 per cent, as compared with the previous 5 per cent and 10 per cent. The Interest Tax, is of course, a new imposition and has been created for the purpose of taxing one broad source of unearned income at present untaxed—interest on loans and mortgages.

## Ceaseless Action By The R.A.F. Enemy Aerodromes Smashed

CAIRO, May 28 (Reuters).—The bombing of Aleppo aerodrome in Syria and a successful series of raids on the enemy-occupied aerodrome at Malemi in Crete are the highlights of an official Middle East air communiqué.

## BISMARCK LOSSES Total 2,000 Men

ZURICH, May 28 (Reuters).—Nearly 2,000 men were lost in the sinking of the German battleship Bismarck, according to an estimate reported by the Berlin correspondent of the "Basler Nachrichten," who observes that crews on German ships are bigger than on British.

Reconnaissance LONDON, May 28 (Reuters).—"It was a great hunt and we are eager and ready for more," states a message to the Admiralty from the Commander-in-Chief, Coastal Command, replying to a signal from the Admiralty gratefully acknowledging the part played by the Coastal Command in reconnaissance for the Bismarck. The signal from the Admiralty states that this reconnaissance contributed in a large measure to the successful outcome of the recent operation.

## FOUND

A black wallet containing \$24 and a Star Ferry season ticket was picked up by the Police yesterday near the Ferry Wharf, Kowloon. The wallet is at the Water Police Station, awaiting claimant.

## Tremendous Chinese Counter-Offensive

Special to the "Telegraph"

CHUNGKING, May 28 (UP).—A communiqué has been issued which states that while Chinese forces continue an unprecedented large-scale counter-offensive in North China, Chinese assaults are very intensive at Tingshui and Yangcheng, north and south respectively of the Chungliang Mountains as well as at Kaoping in south Shansi. The communiqué declared that the Chinese had been hitting hard from the north of Tingshui during the last five days and that Japanese dead and wounded were literally littered over the sun scorched vast battlefield. It was claimed that Japanese thrusts had been repeatedly repulsed in the region between Tingshui and Kaoping.

The Chinese offensive indicates that in south Shanghai the Japanese who have been in action for the past fortnight have all their supply routes threatened, if not already cut, and as a result the Chinese forces hope to achieve a major victory before the Dragon Boat Festival.

It is estimated that under the increased basic rates, and including revenue from the Interest Tax, the total revenue will be \$12,200,000 a year instead of \$11,000,000 at present estimated.

## INCREASED ALLOWANCES

Another important recommendation is that, because of the rise in the cost of living some relief should be afforded to those payers of Salaries Tax who have wives and children. There, it is proposed that the allowances for families be revised and that in future the allowance for a wife should be \$3,000 instead of \$2,000 as at present, \$2,000 for the first child, \$1,000 for the second and \$500 each for the third and fourth children, as compared with a flat rate of \$1,000 for each child up to and including the fourth as at the present time.

## LATEST H. E. Seeks 7% & 14% Increases

The essential parts of the Committee's report are as follows:

The Committee was reconstituted on January 23, 1941, by His Excellency Lieutenant-General E. F. Norton, Officer-Administering the Government, to re-examine and advise Government on the existing measures of War Taxation in the light of the Colony's present financial position and the actual receipts from the four taxes imposed by the War Revenue Ordinance.

The membership of the Committee was substantially the same as that of the original War Revenue Committee, with the substitution of the Honourable Mr. R. R. Todd, Acting Financial Secretary, for the Honourable Mr. H. R. Butters, the Honourable Mr. J. J. Paterson for Mr. D. F. Landale, and Mr. A. G. Clarke, Commissioner of War Taxation, for Mr. T. Black, Mr. C. van Langenberg, Assistant Commissioner of War Taxation, was appointed to the Committee on 21st March, 1941.

Five meetings of the full Committee were held between March 5 and May 21, 1941. In addition to examining the War Revenue Ordinance, 1940, we were invited by His Excellency the Acting Governor to consider a draft Estate Duty Amendment Bill providing for higher rates of Estate Duty, with new rates of Estate Duty, with the proviso that Government should reconsider them at the end of the war, and the Estate Duty Amendment Ordinance was passed by the Legislative Council on March 27, 1941, (Ordinance No. 7 of 1941).

Our examination of the existing measures of War Taxation was governed by three main considerations:—

(a) We were informed by the Financial Secretary that owing to defence measures which had been taken since the Budget for 1941-42 TURN to Back Page, Column 4

## Heavy Nazi Losses

Price of Crete Invasion

CAIRO, May 28 (UP).—Official British military authorities are unable to confirm reports that the German losses on Crete total 18,000, although it is pointed out that this is equal to more than two air-borne divisions. They said that it was absolutely impossible to ascertain the exact casualties on land although they admitted that it was heavy in proportion to the number employed, while the navy also inflicted serious losses.

## Hell Fire Pass Abandoned New Situation In North Africa

CAIRO, May 28 (UP).—The situation in North Africa has taken a new turn, and British General Headquarters to-day issued a communiqué which states that Hell Fire Pass, near Tobruk, has been temporarily abandoned by Imperial troops.

It was at Hell Fire Pass where Graziani's army made its last attempt to withstand the British offensive, but the strategic situation was secured after a few days of intensive fighting following a brilliant movement by the attacking forces.

The same communiqué announces that fighting continues on the Egyptian side of the Libyan-Egyptian frontier.

The enemy has taken Halfaya Pass. Operations extend for about 15 miles south from the sea. The situation at Sollum is obscure.

## Honours For African War Heroes

LONDON, May 28 (Reuters).—In recognition of the recent successful operations in East Africa, His Majesty the King has ordered the following promotions in and appointments of the Order of the Bath:

To Knights Commander.—Lieut. General Alan Gordon Cunningham (brother of Admiral Sir Andrew Cunningham) and Major-General William Platt. To Companions of the Order of the Bath.—Major-General Alfred Reade Godwin-Austen, Colonel Harry Edward de Robillard Wetherall and Brigadier-General George Edwin Brink of the South African Staff Corps. To Knight Commander of the British Empire.—Major-General Lewis Maclesfield Heath of the Indian Army.

## One Of The 1941 War Methods

Novel indeed are some of the methods and tactics adopted in the present war. Here is something the British army learnt from the invasion of the Lowlands. Picture shows Guardsmen, armed with Tommy Guns attacking an "enemy" post during manoeuvres "somewhere in England."



## Crete Forces Locked Together In Great Slogging Match

CAIRO, May 28 (Reuters).—Authoritative military circles summed up the Crete battle to-night as follows:

"It is continuing to develop as an intensive stand-up slogging match. The fighting is hard, particularly in the area between Canea and Malemi.

"The situation is somewhat obscure and it is difficult to get accurate reports. More Germans are arriving all the time and our troops, holding a line of more or less continuous positions, are being borne back by their attacks.

"There are a certain number of German 'at-Retina' and 'Hewlett' The fighting at these two points is isolated and is of no importance compared with Malemi, where the main effort is concentrated.

"The troops concerned are mostly New Zealanders, Australians and some British. According to well-informed sources, very heavy fighting is continuing on Crete, especially in the Canea and Malemi areas where hand-to-hand encounters are frequent.

## Air Attacks On Cologne

Large Fires Started

LONDON, May 28 (UP).—It is authoritatively stated that industrial targets at Cologne were attacked last night. "Bursts were seen on important objectives and several large fires were started." Smaller forces attacked the docks at Boulogne. Bomber planes made a "particularly successful raid" on the enemy aerodrome at Lannion, Brittany yesterday afternoon and destroyed several aircraft on the ground.

## Enemy Shipping Suffers: Convoy and Liner Sunk

LONDON, May 28 (Reuters).—Five armed trawlers were escorting a German supply ship of approximately 5,000 tons which was struck twice by heavy bombs dropped by an R.A.F. Coastal Command aircraft off Brest to-day.

The supply ship was left listing and settling down after the pilot of the British plane estimated that his second salvo "torpedoed" the ship below the water-line.

All the armed trawlers opened fire but the aircraft was hit only twice.

## Steady Toll

LONDON, May 28 (Reuters).—The steady toll which the Royal Navy is

## Schmelling Reported Killed

Trying To Escape In Crete

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" ALEXANDRIA, May 28 (UP).—Max Schmelling, former heavyweight boxing champion of the world, has been killed at Crete while attempting to escape from British soldiers who were escorting him to a prison camp, according to New Zealand sources.

## Kayod Louis

Schmelling is the only boxer ever to have been knocked out by Joe Louis. Unfortunately for him, this was in 1936, before Louis had gained his world crown from Joe Braddock.

Schmelling, however, was world heavyweight champion in 1930, when he met Jack Sharkey and won on a foul. He held the title until 1932 when he met Sharkey again and lost on a fiercely protested decision.

In 1938, Schmelling again made his appearance in the United States, and in a disastrous fight with Joe Louis was knocked out in the first round.

He was born in 1905, and first made himself known as a boxer in 1923 when he reached the final of one of the German Tournaments.

He married Anny Ondra, German motion picture actress, in 1923.

Most recent news of the German boxer was some time in September last year, when he was reported having been injured while training to be a parachutist.



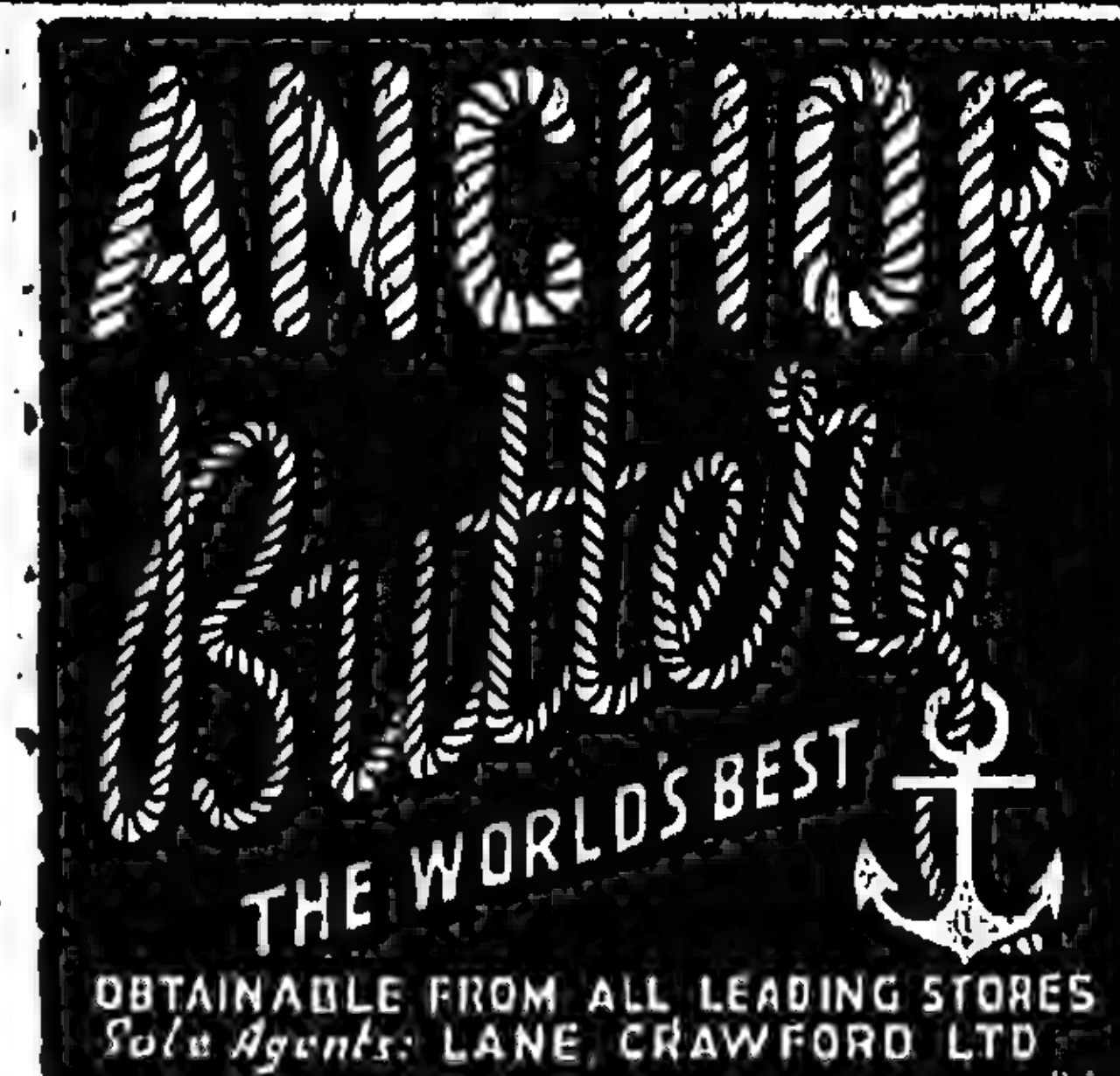
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# DONALD DUCK



By Walt Disney



## GRIN AND BEAR IT

By Lichty



A MOTHER AND HER NEWLY-BORN BABY about to leave a London hospital bombed by night raiders. They were evacuated into the country with a number of other patients.

## The German Officer

To-day . . .

### FOE WORTH BEATING

By MAJOR E. W. SHEPPARD

TO-DAY German officers are all over Europe, some in uniform, some disguised as technicians, tourists or advisers.

In the last war we all had a picture in our minds of the typical German officer—straight backed, stiff as a ramrod in his tight-fitting uniform and greentinted monocle, haughty, arrogant.

His mind was of a piece with his appearance. He knew his job, and little else besides.

He had a high sense of duty, a tremendous sense of caste and calling, and a queer code of honour to which he was utterly faithful.

That code enjoined on him a contempt for money and graft, a strict performance of duty, a meticulous knowledge of his profession and a ban on anything which might lower his own personal prestige as an officer, that of the German officer class, or that of the German Army.

#### More Human, But . . .

I wonder if he is the same to-day?

His outward appearance has, of course, changed. So I think to some extent has his mental outlook.

He is more human, more approachable, more among his men, more at ease with them. He has learnt that from the French.

He goes in more for sport and tries, not always with success, to cultivate in himself and his troops a sense of humour. He learnt that from us.

And he has learnt all about the new weapons of war—the tanks, the aeroplanes, the motorised arms, the parachutists.

He learnt that, too, from other people—much of it from the despised Russians.

Has he lost his sense of religion? I fancy so, and I think he is the worse man for it.

#### New Weaknesses

I fancy, too, he has lost something of his strict sense of honour. He is the worse man for that, too, in my view.

But his sense of duty is as high as ever. He still firmly believes in himself, in the class to which he belongs, in the army of which he is the chief ornament.

And he still believes in Germany, too—though not necessarily in Nazism or in Hitler.

He is a formidable fellow, this German officer of to-day.

One may respect him, though hardly like him. He is a foe worth beating, and one whom it will take us a lot of trouble to beat.

But he can be beaten—and he will be, as he has been before.

And all the more certainly because he now has weaknesses foreign to his forefathers.

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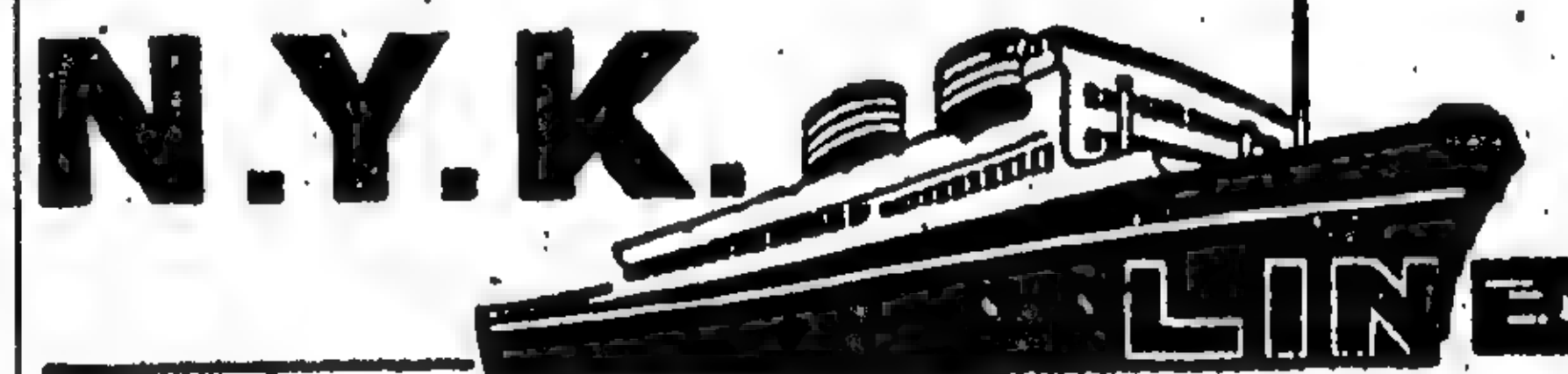
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## Crossword Puzzle

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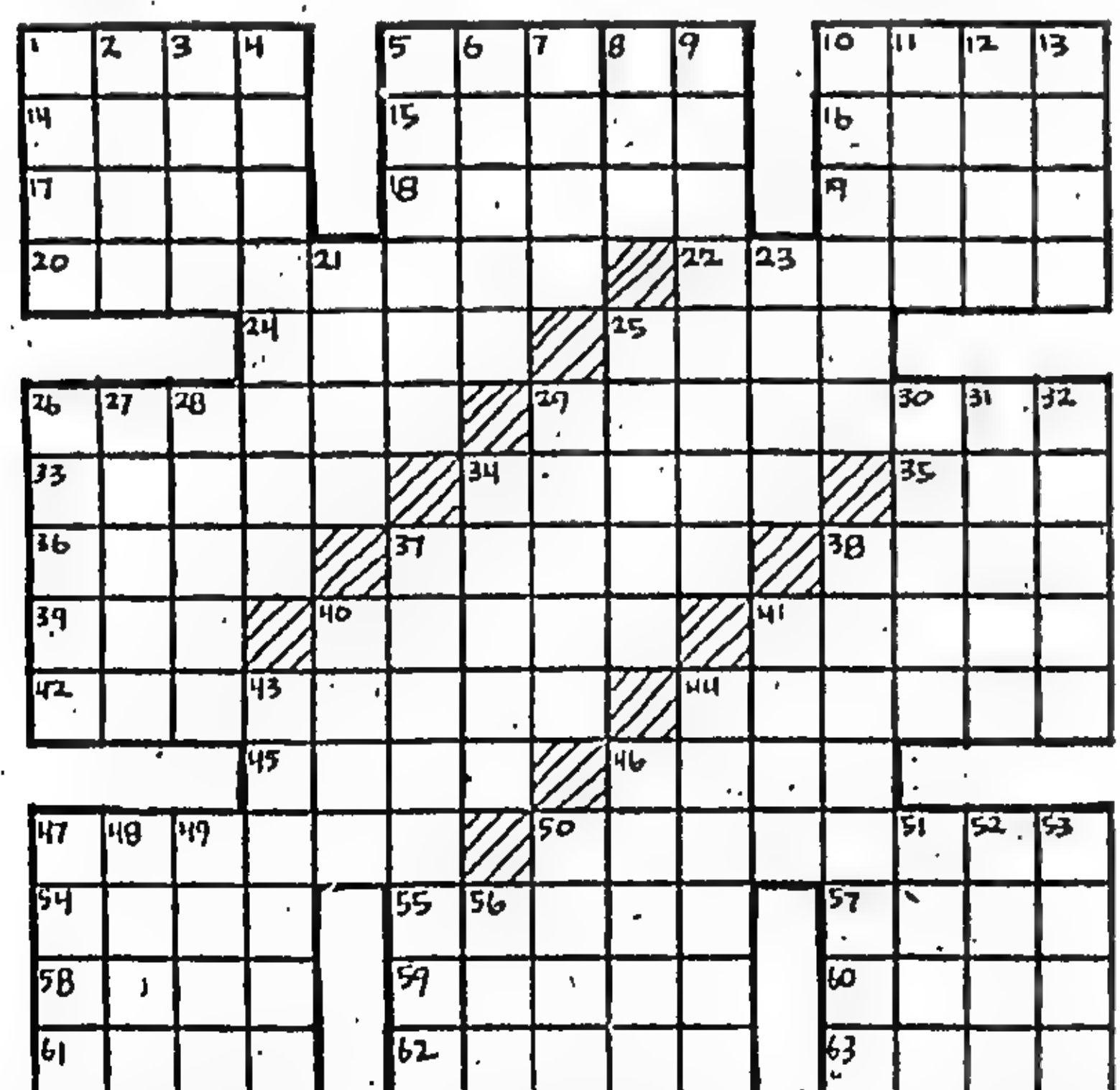
- 1—Wing-like
- 2—Package of bulky goods
- 3—Delicate crystalline plant
- 4—Twisted hemp
- 5—Like old woman
- 6—Opposite of weather
- 7—Level
- 8—Water-raising wheel
- 9—Trailer of fathead
- 10—Musical composition
- 11—Girl who asked for head of John the Baptist
- 12—Decorated
- 13—Style
- 14—Kind of straw hat
- 15—Members of legislature
- 16—Symbolic religious object of American Indians
- 17—Alcoholic drink
- 18—Complete with
- 19—Provided with hearing organs
- 20—Common holder for ice-cream
- 21—Frozen water
- 22—Bees by looking carefully
- 23—Elephant
- 24—Narrow enemies of Crusaders
- 25—Think over
- 26—Marked
- 27—Domestic farm animal
- 28—ATS possessions, or of person

### ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

- 1—One who mimics
- 2—Traitor
- 3—Kind of fruit
- 4—Positive relative pole
- 5—Italian money
- 6—Vale
- 7—Bullock
- 8—Crown club
- 9—Noddy
- 10—Blitzed joint
- 11—Wilder
- 12—Alaskan city
- 13—First map
- 14—Nevada
- 15—French capital
- 16—Military class
- 17—Piner
- 18—Infamed spouse
- 19—Fat-shaped
- 20—Remedy for flooding
- 21—With water
- 22—Parade of
- 23—Contaminant
- 24—Ornamental centerpiece (French)
- 25—Pertaining to musical composition
- 26—Tern
- 27—Wander
- 28—Paramour (obsolete)
- 29—One who puts into common fund
- 30—Hoops
- 31—Projecting part
- 32—Franchise of publication
- 33—Whatever may be taught
- 34—Silver in Italy
- 35—Human garment
- 36—Separate entry
- 37—Yield
- 38—Brazilian bird

### DOWN

- 1—Land measure (pl.)
- 2—Adoration



## Iron Weather Man In the Pacific

By Thomas R. Henry

On an isolated, uninhabited island in the Mid-Pacific the U.S. Navy's first iron sentry soon will mount guard—perhaps as the forerunner of an army of robots with copper brains to form cordons around the poles and walk posts across the seas.

The iron sentry will report every six hours. This first private of the robot army is being built, according to navy's specifications, by a commercial firm.

The model after which he is being constructed has been on duty for a year at the naval air station at Anacostia, D.C. During this time he never has been caught napping, and has required little attention. Four times daily he has looked around, made his observations, and radioed his reports, which are received reliably at distances of at least 200 miles from Washington.

His reports consist of the barometric pressure, the air temperature, the humidity, the force and direction of the wind, and the amount of rainfall. Each of these is recorded accurately on the copper brain and transformed immediately into radio impulses.

The worse the weather the better he likes it. His life blood is the wind, which constantly recharges the storage batteries, through a windmill on his head, which keep his brain in operation.

The robot was constructed by Dr. Harry Diamond and his associates at the U. S. Bureau of Standards in co-operation with navy officers. The things he does now are only an indication of what he may be able to do as he grows up in the service, navy officers say. One of the jobs already forecast for him is to drift about in the Atlantic, keeping ships, land stations and planes informed of the weather ahead.

The robot was first proposed by Dr. Willis Gregg, late chief of the U. S. Weather Bureau, at a meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science in Ottawa in 1938. At that time, it was considered a futuristic dream.

Dr. Gregg wanted these robots set up in a continuous sentry line around the Arctic Circle and over the interior of Greenland to keep the world informed of tempests striking southward from the North Pole.

The idea of robot weather observers, according to Dr. Diamond, originated in Russia about 10 years ago. The Russian device was crude, but quickly became practical in the hands of the Bureau of Standards physicists.

The final result was the radiosent, sent aloft in a balloon to altitudes of nearly 30 miles to report by radio on conditions in the upper atmosphere, on which so much of the world's weather depends. These were all suicide flights at first. Now many of the radiosents are being recovered and put into service again.

The robot being put into service by the navy is a direct development from the radiosent. But whereas the former weighed less than a pound, this new iron brain weighs more than a ton, is built to operate indefinitely, and to withstand any sort of conditions.

In appearance the sentry of the storms will be a thoroughly unromantic fellow—merely a wooden box about eight feet square, with a windmill and some antennae on top. That is only the skin of the iron man.

## CHIEFTAIN CATRIONA WINS 5-YEAR FIGHT

Twenty-one-year-old Miss Catriona Maclean of Ardgour, daughter of the former chieftain of the Clan Maclean, has won her five-year fight for the right to use her father's arms.

Her right had been challenged by Lieut-Commander Henry Hugh Maclean,

a cousin of the late Ardgour twice removed, who claimed that as heir-male, he was head of the family of Ardgour.

In the Lyon Court, the Lord Lyon King of Arms had disallowed his claim in favour of Catriona, and the Second Division of the Court of Session of Edinburgh recently affirmed that judgment.



Miss Catriona Maclean

The Lord Justice Clerk pointed out that the commander did not possess a rood of ancestral land, and said the idea that a woman could not represent a heraldic bearing family appeared to him to be a medieval notion, appropriate perhaps to the ages of savagery, but having no relation to the realities of the modern world.

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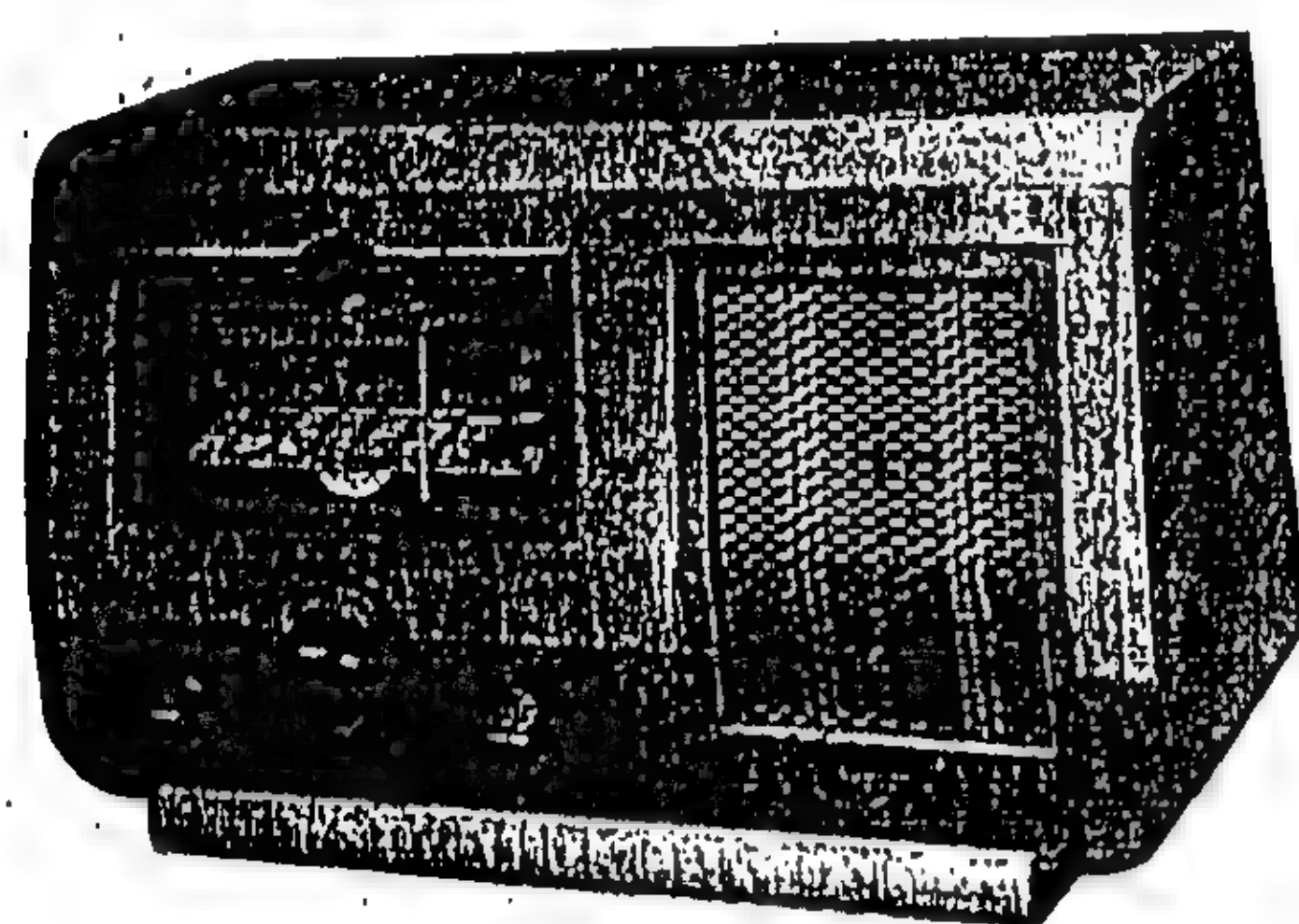
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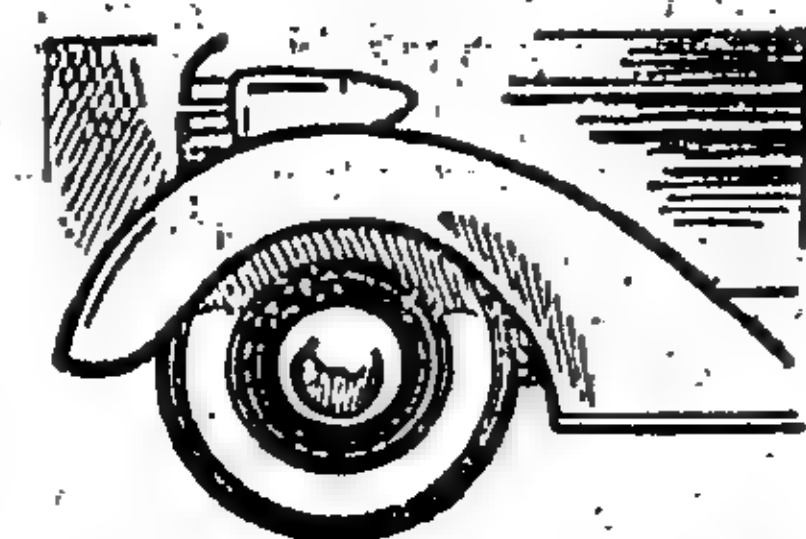
ALREADY THE TOLL of lives amongst the civilian population of the British Isles, is heavy. Already, innocent children are being maimed and blinded. The scene is poignantly grim. Our folk who are in the midst of the holocaust come up smiling after every onslaught—even though they have tears in their eyes and anguish in their hearts. They are Undaunted! Unconquerable!

THEY ARE ENCOURAGED by the great help they are receiving from their kindred nations overseas. In common with the rest of the Empire, Hongkong is helping. Nearly a year ago, the Bomber Fund was started, and thanks to the generosity and the sacrifice of many, over two million dollars have now been subscribed and placed at the disposal of the British Government for the purchase of bombers—so urgently needed to avenge the innocents who have fallen, and to smash the German war machine.

HONGKONG is doing well, but can do still better. There have been magnificent contributions to the Bomber Fund, and there has been great sacrifice on the part of some who have given again and again. Let it be remembered however, that the two million dollars would not have been recorded but for the humble gifts from those who could afford no more.

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## AMERICA DECLARES HERSELF

SOLENNLY, President Roosevelt yesterday issued a warning to Herr Hitler as grave and purposeful as that delivered to Germany by President Wilson, 24 years ago. In language, pregnant with meaning, the leader of the United States slung out his answer to the Fuehrer's challenge for world domination, giving added weight to his words by simultaneously proclaiming that a state of unlimited national emergency existed, and calling upon the entire nation to labour ceaselessly and willingly to prevent the disaster with which the Nazis and their cohorts threaten the universe.

As generally anticipated, many of the sentiments expressed by Mr. Roosevelt were reiterated, but he also announced two important new features of United States policy vis-a-vis the European War which are bound to have far-reaching effects on its future development.

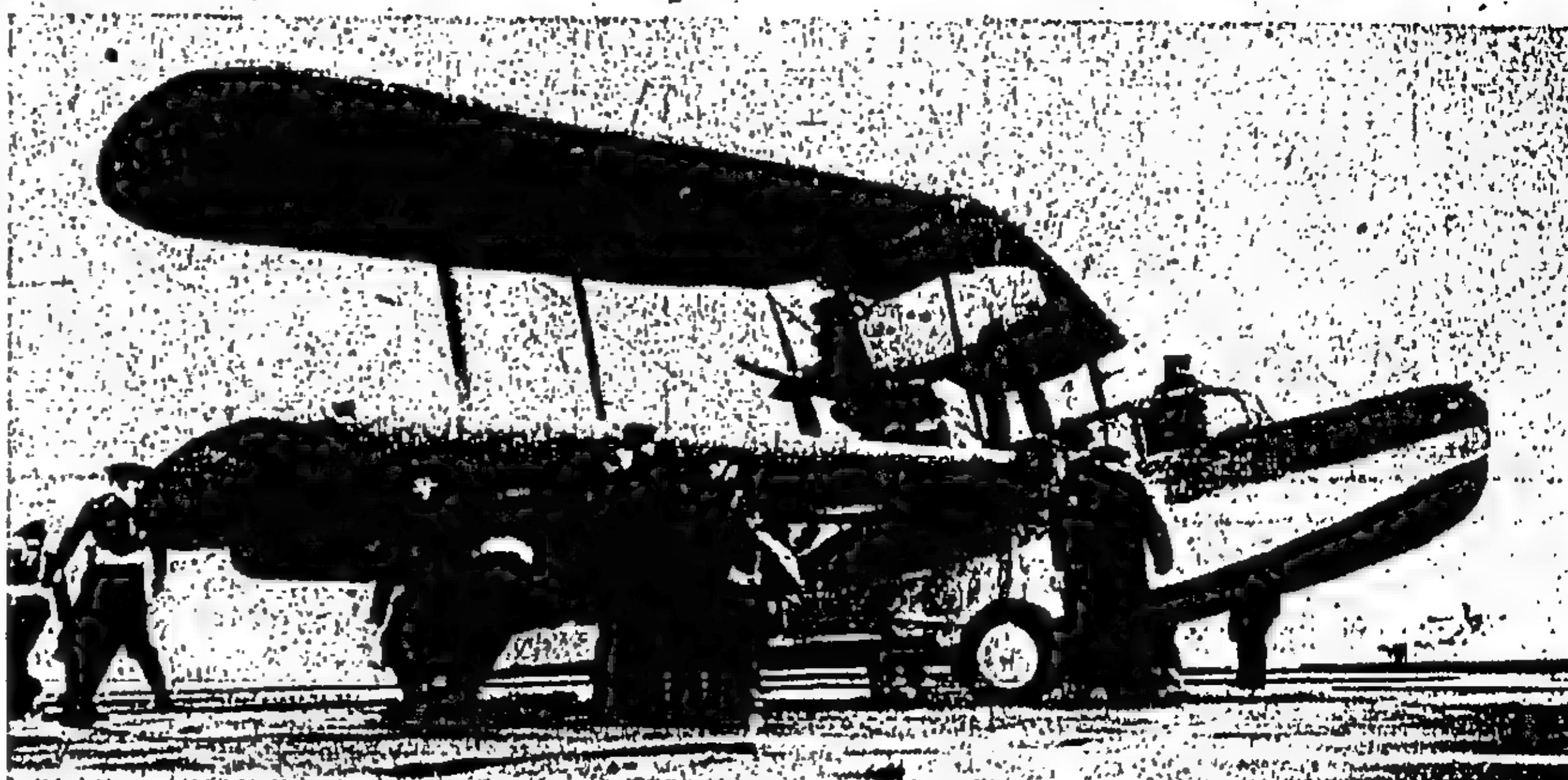
Without in as many words openly committing the U.S. to the employment of armed convoys for the conveying of vital war materials to Britain and the other democracies, the President referred with approval to the effectiveness of this system in the last World War, and added, with profound significance: "The blunt truth is that the present rate of Nazi sinkings of merchantmen is more than three times as high as the British replacement capacity, and more than twice the combined British and American output of merchantmen to-day. We can answer this peril by speeding up and increasing our great shipbuilding programme, and secondly by helping to cut down the losses on the high seas." It is doubtful whether any other sentence in the entire speech will ring so unpleasantly in Hitler's ears.

And if the Nazi leader is still capable of absorbing realistic facts in his perverted mind, surely Mr. Roosevelt's announcement that the United States already has taken, and will continue to take adequate steps to safeguard the nation's vital outposts, must give him cause to ponder. It means that the United States is now prepared to translate warnings into actions; the velvet glove of diplomatic conciliation is off; the iron hand of an implacable foe is exposed. Hitler stands warned by the great champion of the democracies.

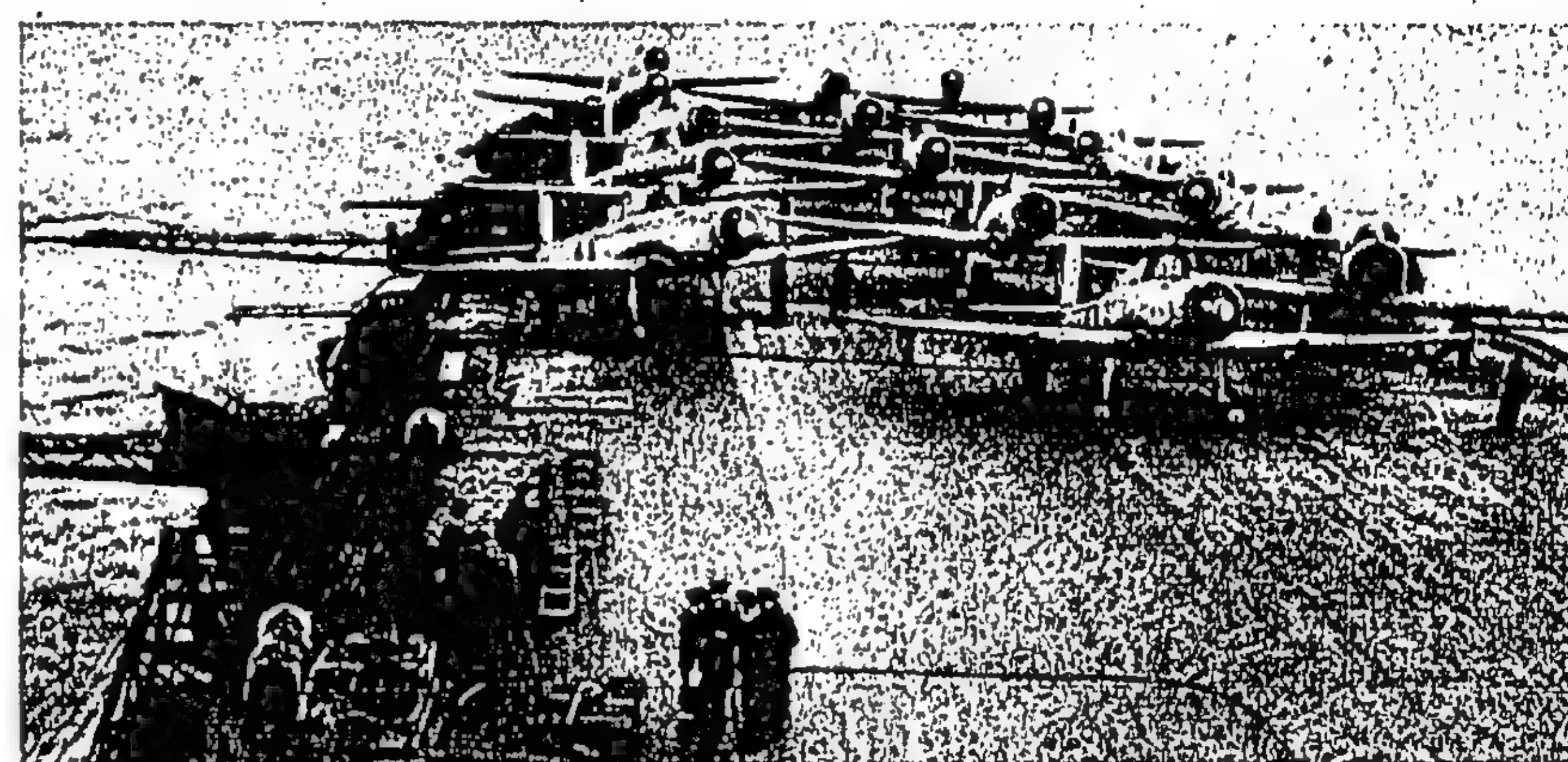
The fact that Mr. Roosevelt's speech was directed essentially to Hitler does not mean that his challenging statements were intended to remain unheeded in other parts of the globe. Japan was clearly invited to ponder the President's words and to appreciate the meaning behind his tribute to the "magnificent defence of China."

In short, the entire world to-day now knows where America stands in relation to the conflict which is raging on three continents, and which is threatening a fourth. Undeniedly, and with the aid of every resource at her disposal, the United States will defy and combat the Totalitarians, even if, in the final analysis, it involves her, like Britain and the other democracies, in total war.

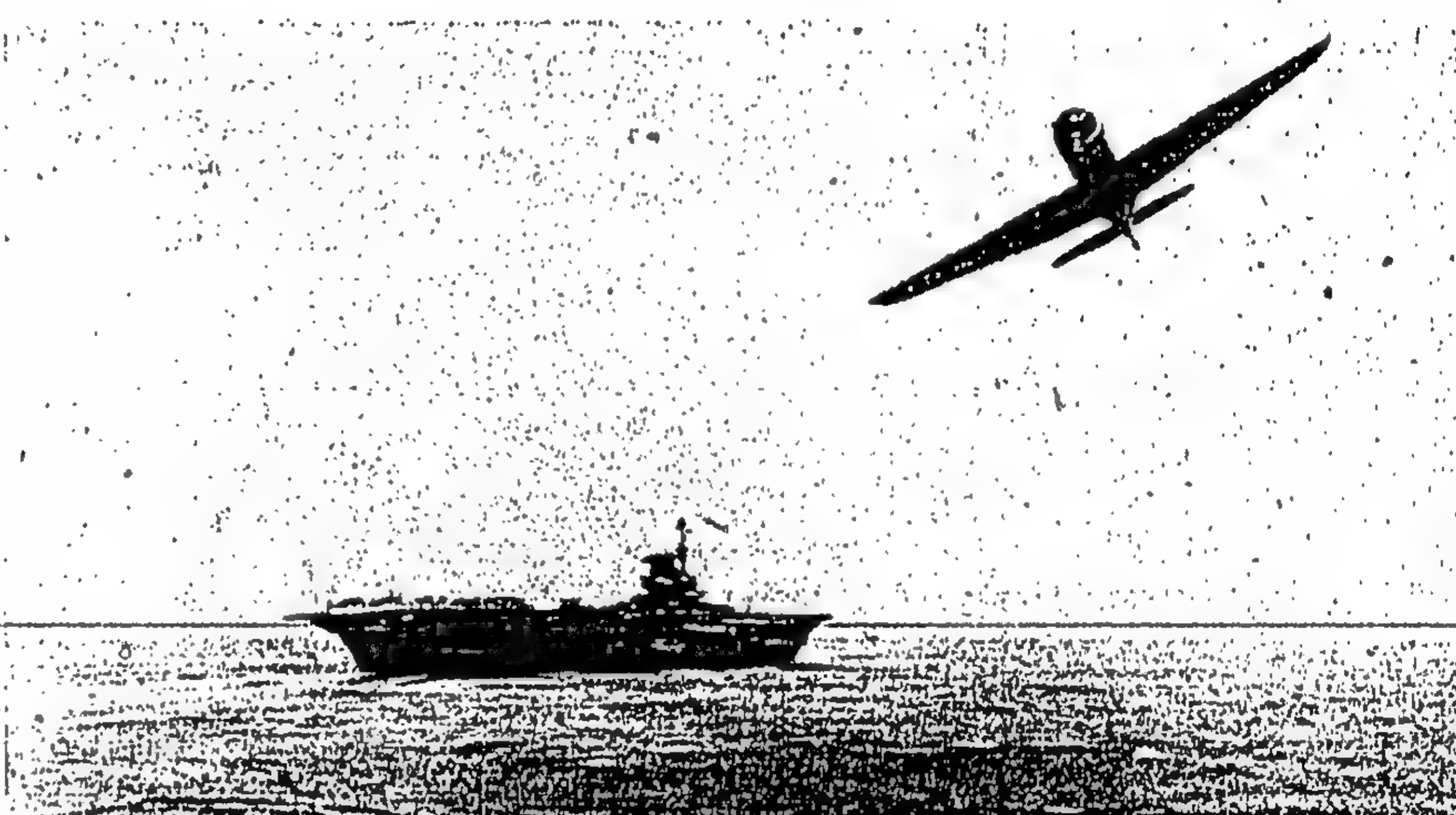
# FLEET AIR ARM PROVES STRENGTH AGAIN IN SINKING OF BISMARCK



These official Admiralty pictures show how the Fleet Air Arm operates from an aircraft carrier. Here a plane has just come up through the well and is having its wings spread.



These are Blackburn Skua dive-bombers assembled on the deck of the carrier. They are ready to take off to attack the enemy.



An aircraft flying off to take part in the attack.



The Bismarck was damaged by torpedoes of this type, seen in this picture being launched from a Fairey Swordfish plane.



Return after a successful operation. Signals guide the landing on the aircraft carrier.

Details of the sinking of the giant Nazi battleship, Bismarck, as issued by the Admiralty and published in the "Telegraph" yesterday, have thrilled all Hongkong just as the news has excited the imagination of people all over the world.

The communique makes mention of the big part which aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm played in running down and shattering the enemy battleship. In the determined pursuit of the Bismarck by British naval forces seeking to avenge the chance sinking of H.M.S. Hood, the first blows were struck by naval torpedo aircraft from the aircraft carrier, Victorious. Subsequently, torpedo aircraft from the Ark Royal also attacked the Bismarck by the same means.

These successful attacks caused damage to the Nazi battleship and slowed it down, paving the way for its eventual dispatch to the depths by the surface battle fleet.

The Fleet Air Arm has by this latest exploit proved once again its strength and the effectiveness of aerial torpedo attack. The first big success secured by use of this method of warfare was at Taranto, when Mussolini's much-vaunted battle fleet was cut to pieces.

The development of flying for war purposes originated in the British Navy. Its earliest pioneers, who included Admiral Sir Cecil Talbot, now Director of Dockyards, and Sir Archibald Cochrane, until recently Governor of Burma, were submarine officers who understood the effectiveness of the torpedo as a weapon. During the past few years, and especially since the outbreak of the present war, this branch of the fighting services has been brought to a high pitch of efficiency.

The Fleet Air Arm is served by many types of aircraft, including dive-bombers and fighters, but the torpedo plane remains the speciality. One of the most striking features of this method of warfare is that it is designed with a single eye to hitting the target with precision. Should the torpedoes, or the dive-bombers' bombs, miss their mark, civilians do not suffer, as British and other European civilian populations suffer so cruelly at the hands of German pilots. The Navy, true to its tradition, strikes fiercely at its enemy's armed forces, but spares non-combatants.—A. C. G.

## Opposite Numbers 4 NAVY CHIEFS

ERICH RAEDER, Commander-in-Chief of the Nazi Navy. His rank, Grand Admiral; his age, sixty-four; his reputation, shrewd, capable sailor, a martinet in discipline.



Raeder

He knows what it is to be at the receiving end of the Royal Navy's merciless artillery. He was in the Lutetia at Jutland when she was pounded by the gunfire of our big ships, but Raeder escaped.

His chief amusements are listening to music—particularly Furtwangler's—and watching football. His chief abominations, women's short hair, short skirts, cosmetics and cigarettes. "Best saying: 'We do not underestimate England's strength.'"

VICE-ADMIRAL J. C. TOVEY, Commander-in-Chief of the Home Fleet, has shown himself markedly dissimilar from his opposite number. He has been making no vaunting speeches, telling the world, like the prize-fighter of old, just what he plans to do.

Jack Tovey has done a great part of sailing in destroyers. In the Onslow, destroyer, at Jutland, he stood in to the cruiser Wiesbaden and hit her again and again with his small guns. His craft disabled, he had a crack at the Derfflinger, a capital ship, and finally had to be taken in tow. All this won him a D.S.O. Kipling wrote a story about it.

It is said to be just the man to throw everything at the Germans when the right time comes.

Tovey (pronounced, 'Tuvvy') is sixty, and in vigour a young man. The Navy to a man respects him. "Best saying: 'Tovey doesn't talk.'"



Tovey



# ANY OVERT ACT WILL BRING THE UNITED STATES INTO THE WAR

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, MAY 28 (UP).—THE SCRIPPS-HOWARD COLUMNIST, MR WILLIAM SIMMS WRITES TO-DAY THAT "FOREIGN ENVOYS HERE HAVE WARNED THEIR GOVERNMENTS THAT THE UNITED STATES IS AWAITING ONLY AN OVERT ACT BY THE AXIS TO ENTER THE WAR." THAT IS THE INTERPRETATION ON THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS AND PROCLAMATION.

The fact that President Roosevelt acquainted Congressional leaders beforehand with what he intended to say made his pronouncements as coming as close to a war declaration as the President is able to go. The United States policy is described as a clear ultimatum which, in effect, is what the speech could be called, without great exaggeration.

Columnist Raymond Clapper stated, "America has changed overnight. Without action by Congress or any mention thereof, President Roosevelt assumed new powers. The President placed himself in a position to begin an undeclared war, or rather unannounced fighting against the Axis when his judgment calls for it. This is, in effect, an executive declaration that a state of war exists."

**Almost Undeclared War**  
WASHINGTON, May 28 (UP).—President Roosevelt has led the nation near to the limits of an undeclared war if he is prepared to implement his unlimited emergency proclamation. A special press conference is scheduled for to-day in order to elaborate and explain the message.

The President said last night that strikes and lock-outs must cease abruptly in order to enlarge the scope of the Aid-to-Britain programme, and this supported by bristling threats to deliver war materials to the fighting men with armed force. The pledge went far beyond anything which the Administration considers obnoxious. The speech aroused a national clamour of applause despite Representative Melvin Maas saying, "This means war." Senator Tom Connally declared that it was a "ringing call to duty and service for all Americans."

Senator Robert Taft asserted, "The declaration of an unlimited national emergency has no legal effect whatsoever. The President has no statutory or constitutional authority to declare such an emergency."

**Very "Encouraging"**

Senator Carter Glass, "I agreed with every word and more besides." Speaker Sam Rayburn of the House stated, "It will be very encouraging for the democratic peoples throughout the world." Senator Walter George said, "It was a very strong statement of the Administration's basic philosophy."

Representative Hamilton Fish thought it was "just up to the interventionists."

Senator Gerald Nye asserted, "The President gives notice that we are already conveying."

Senator Pat McCarran declared, "I think it is another way of declaring war."

Senator Robert Wagner was of the opinion that "President Roosevelt has firmly accepted and courageously exercised the great responsibility invested in him by the American people in an unparalleled world crisis."

**Senator Wheeler's Reactions**

INDIANAPOLIS, May 28 (UP).—Senator Burton Wheeler, regarding President Roosevelt's fireside speech declared "It was a virtual declaration of war. The President talks about hard cold facts but no one in the minds of the American people more than President Roosevelt since March, 1933. I do not know what the President means by declaring an emergency. What more powers can he take than what he already has, unless he has taken over labour, industry, communications and the press?"

## Wavell's Abyssinian Campaign Vindicated

LONDON, May 28 (Reuter).—General Sir Archibald Wavell's strategy in completing the conquest of the Italian East African empire when distractions were afoot further north was vindicated in the House of Lords to-day by Field Marshal Lord Birdwood and the Under-Secretary for War, Lord Croft.

Lord Birdwood, who is often called the "Father of the Indian Army," said that he had an uncomfortable feeling that unwittingly, full justice had not been done to the magnificent work of the officers and men from India, Dominions and the colonies in the East African campaign.

Lord Birdwood said that the majority of troops were from South Africa and India, and practically every African colony was represented.

It was certain that Hitler ordered his subordinate, the Duke of Aosta, to contain the British troops as long as possible in Abyssinia to use up their large supplies. A feature of the campaign, however, was the extreme rapidity with which the operations were carried through.

**Praise For Troops**  
Referring to the mines and demolitions left by the retreating Italians, Lord Birdwood said: "No troops could have done better than they did."

## Year-Old Canton Killing Brings Indian To Trial

Charged with the murder of a Chinese in Canton on May 12 last year, an Indian guard, Dost Mohamed, appeared before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions this morning, and pleaded not guilty.

Mr E. H. Williams, Crown Counsel, prosecuted, and Mr Harold W. Lee, instructed by Mr D. McCallum, appeared for Accused.

Accused was originally charged with the murder of an unknown Chinese, but Mr. Williams asked leave to amend the charge and to substitute the name of Kwok Man for the word "unknown."

Mr Lee objected to the amendment, saying that it would embarrass the defence.

His Lordship remarked that he did not think the amendment was prejudicial to the defence, and allowed the amendment.

The following jury was empanelled: Messrs. C. Fenson (foreman), Leung Hui-fung, Chan Woon-fun, Young Kee-hung, Tsui Shing-luen, M. A. Frata and Leung Kain-tong.

Mr. Williams said that Accused was a watchman employed by the China Navigation Company at their wharves at Kaitum-hok in Honan, Canton, and the murder occurred on May 22 last year, when accused allegedly shot Kwok Man.

**Court's Jurisdiction**

Explaining how the Accused came to be tried in Hongkong, Mr. Williams said that by a treaty between Great Britain and China, Great Britain had jurisdiction over her subjects when they commit a crime in China. The Foreign Jurisdiction Act laid down the proceedings for the trial of British subjects who commit offences in countries like China and elsewhere. Section 6 of the Act made provision for British authorities in China or any other country to send a person for trial to any British possession. In 1925, an Order-in-Council was passed stating that His Majesty's Supreme Court in China might send a case for trial to a British possession.

Accused, Counsel continued, was a native of Punjab, India, and was registered as a British subject. Deceased was a hawkler. At the time of the incident, the steamer Fatshan was lying by a wharf on which Accused and another Indian guard, Sher Bahadur, were stationed. Their duty was to search all persons entering the wharf to board the steamer. Behind the wharf were a row of godowns, and lying alongside a small landing pier were three cargo boats.

**Incident At Godowns**  
Evidence would be given by Lam Ping, a godown keeper, who was standing by one of the godowns. He would say that about 6.20 p.m. on May 22, he saw two Indian guards standing at the entrance to the wharf searching people going on to it. He saw a Chinese carrying a basket approach the wharf, and the man was stopped by Accused. A conversation took place between them. Lam then saw Accused strike the Chinese with his fist, and the other Indian hit him with a stick. The Chinese dropped the basket and ran away, followed closely by Accused and Sher Bahadur. Lam would say that at no time was any attempt made to search the basket. Outside one of the godowns were a number of Chinese. The Indians and the man they were chasing were lost to Lam's view, but shortly afterwards, he heard the sound of two shots, followed a little later by three more shots.

Sher Bahadur would say that several Chinese approached the wharf and resented the searching. One of them struck Accused in the face. The Chinese appeared to be angry, but Sher Bahadur said that he did not see clearly what happened after that. Accused ran after a Chinese, and shortly after, Sher Bahadur heard a shot being fired and saw Accused with a revolver in his hand. The Chinese he was chasing was lying on the ground. There was a crowd of Chinese about in an angry mood. Accused showed signs of having been in a struggle.

**Struggle On Lighter**  
Stories told by three other witnesses differed substantially from that told by Sher Bahadur, said Counsel. One of them, Chan Fung-po, said that his attention was attracted by the two Indians, who were chasing and fighting with a Chinese. The Chinese broke away to a lighter. Accused followed and fired two shots, which apparently missed. The Chinese grabbed a long pole and pointed it at Accused, and a struggle took place between them. Accused fired three more shots, and the Chinese collapsed.

That story was corroborated by three other persons—Tong Shao-hong, Wu Hui-ku and Chan Chok. Another witness would say that he saw Sher Bahadur with a revolver in his hand, and he seized it from him.

Accused was taken to the wharf office and Mr Johnson, the Wharf Superintendent, was sent for. On arrival, Mr Johnson saw a Chinese lying on a lighter, and the man was dead. There was a wound in the head behind the left ear. When he made his way to the office, Mr Johnson saw Sher Bahadur with a revolver in his hand, and disarmed him.

**Weapons Examined**  
At the office, he took away Accused's revolver, and the revolver of

## Big Gambling School Broken Up By Police

The names of 36 persons, charged with gambling, were read out before Mr G. T. Lowry at Central Magistrate's Court this morning. Of the 36 persons only one man was in Court. He was Ng Yat, 52, unemployed, and was detained by the Police yesterday when he failed to put up bail of \$250, for keeping a gambling house.

Two other men, Tong Hop, 28, unemployed, who was on bail of \$500, and Mak Yin, 32, unemployed, on bail of \$250, also charged with keeping a gambling house, failed to appear in Court and their bail was estreated. Bail of \$10 each put up by the other men was estreated.

Ng Yat, pleaded guilty, and was fined \$100 or two months' hard labour.

A sum of \$309.53 picked up was ordered to be confiscated.

## Philippines Trans-shipment Watched

Against Axis Ruses

SHANGHAI, May 29 (Reuter).—Regulations against the re-export of American goods from the Philippines to foreign countries have been tightened up by a new ruling which requires an application for new export licences before such re-exports can be legally made, according to an American Consulate-General announcement.

The new applications must be presented to the United States Department of State and must name the proposed countries of ultimate destination.

**Re-Export Permits**  
Unless such applications are granted, re-export of American goods from the Philippines would constitute a violation of the Export Control Act and regulations, adds the announcement.

The new ruling is believed to be specially designed against the ruse whereby goods exported from the United States to the Philippines are re-shipped from the latter point to Russia and thence to Germany.

## First Edition Of Keats Sold

In 1874 John Addington Symonds, the critic and poet, presented a copy of the first edition of Keats' "Egy-mion," 1818, to his Moscow friend, Prof. A. C. Bradley. At Sotheby's recently Mr Ernest Maggs gave £72 for it.

A rare survivor of St Jerome's "Lives of the Fathers," printed in 1495 at Westminster by Caxton's successor at Westminster, Wynkyn de Worde, brought £20. There was good bidding for books in a two days' sale totalling nearly £3,000.

## Axis Shipping Losses Since War Began

LONDON, May 28 (British Wireless).—Nearly 3,000,000 tons of enemy merchant shipping have been disposed of between the beginning of the war and the middle of May, it is stated authoritatively in London.

German ships captured or seized—61, totalling 274,000 tons; sunk or scuttled, 285 ships, totalling 1,499,000.

Italian ships captured or seized—30, totalling 183,000 tons; sunk or scuttled, 176 ships, totalling 889,000 tons.

Germany has, therefore, lost 346 ships totalling 1,773,000 tons and Italy 215 ships, totalling 1,082,000 tons.

In addition, 38 ships of other countries, in Axis service, totalling 67,000 tons, have been disposed of.

**Aircraft Claims**  
Bomber and Coastal Command aircraft have been credited with the

## Japanese Deficiency In Science

Gout Stimulation Not Likely To Succeed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, May 28 (Domel).—The Government programme for accelerating progress in the scientific and technical branches as an essential in the construction of national defence, was hailed by newspapers including the "Kokumin" and the "Yomiuri" this morning.

"Better late than never," these papers declare. Scientific and technical facilities in Japan are below world levels, these papers point out, blaming Japanese politicians' ignorance of and indifference to scientific matters for the situation.

Warning scientists and technicians against their excessive academic attitude, these papers urge the students of science and technical skill to turn their abilities to State purposes.

**Total Scientific Spirit**

The "Kokumin Shimbun" says that the Japanese spirit has never been "unscientific" as many believe. This spirit must be made "more scientific" because a total war cannot be waged without the nation being armed with a scientific spirit.

While endorsing the proposed "new structure of scientific skill," the "Yomiuri Shimbun" is sceptical whether the proposed facilities for researches in science and technical skill will be realised. So many new Government offices have been created since the outbreak of the China campaign and yet these have failed to achieve their original aims, the paper warns.

## IF AXIS START SHOOTING U.S. "Task Forces" Will Reply

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, May 28 (UP).—Informed quarters to-day interpreted President Roosevelt's assurance that Britain would receive war goods as a signal for extended United States naval operations on the Atlantic, probably by "task forces," especially designed to meet the Axis threat.

They were of the opinion that these would probably be composed of battleships, aircraft carriers, destroyers and submarines, and it was predicted that they would operate similar to the British squadrons which sought the Bismarck.

Some sources stated that the initiative for shooting in open sea warfare will be left to the Axis.

If the Axis decline to fight, vastly superior forces, the goods will be delivered without shooting but, they observed, if an attack was made, then the United States would be unable to insure delivery of the goods without returning the fire.

**TRAIN FIRE TRAGEDY RECALLED**

LONDON, May 28 (Reuter).—A verdict of accidental death was returned at the inquest to-day on the victims of a fire on a train in which boys from Ampleforth College, a Catholic school, including two sons of the Belgian Prime Minister, M. Henri Pierlot, lost their lives.

The coroner said that he had come to the conclusion that the fire started through lighted matches and cigarette ends being thrown about in fun and mischief by the boys, but he did not attach blame to any of them.



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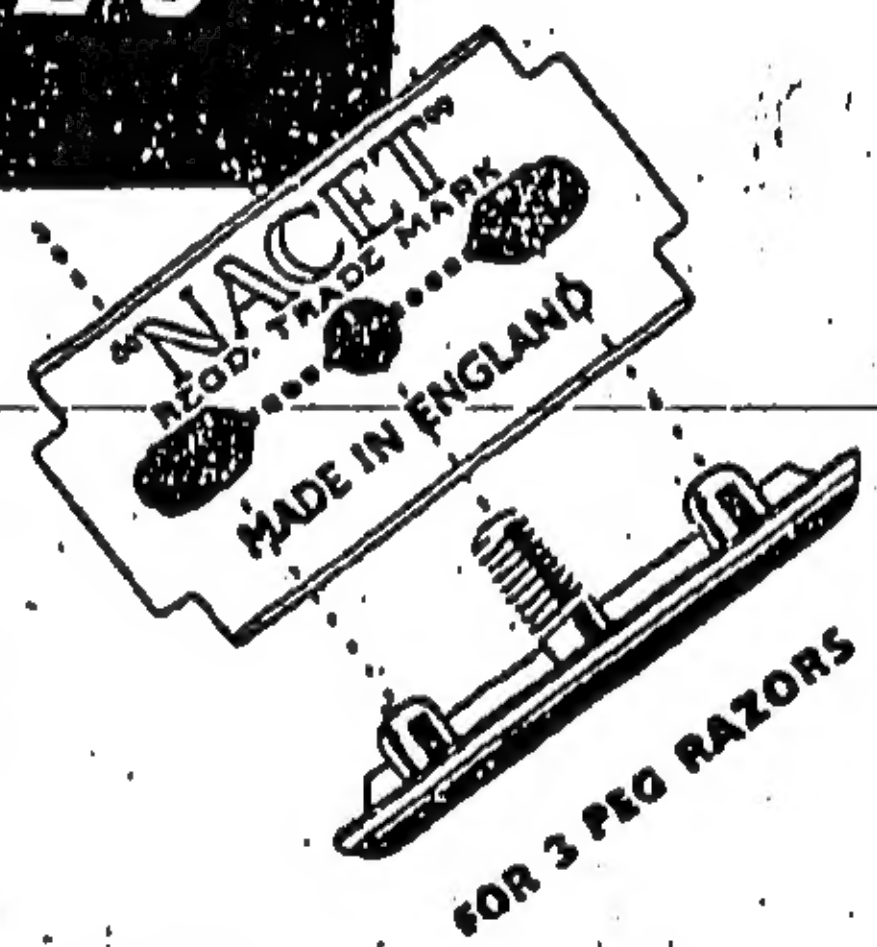
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Perhaps the most interesting—certainly the closest—was that in the Third Division between Indian R.C. and Kowloon B.G.C. Hitherto undefeated, the Indians lost by two shots after an encounter in which the issue was in doubt until the very last head.

The visitors arrived at Soekunpo three men short, and it was just as well for them that their senior matches had been cancelled, for two members of their senior teams—P. A. Peckham and W. McNeill—turned up to see the game. Both were roped in to play and the "boy" who brought the woods down to Soekunpo made up the third.

It is peculiar, but nevertheless true, that McNeill, normally the best of the three commandered players, was the worst on the day's play. Using strange woods, he failed to settle down. Peckham was steady at No. 1, but the "boy" was positively brilliant after a shaky start.

The President of the Association, Sir Atholl MacGregor, turned out as No. 2 for the Bowling Green and seemed to be enjoying his game immensely. He played very well.

The green was not as heavy as it looked and, by its appearance, was playing better than one would have expected, all things considered.

ENTRIES for the Colony championships have been published, though at the time of writing the lists from several clubs had not yet been returned to the Hon. Secretary of the Association.

Owing to the dislocation caused by Volunteer duties and other factors last summer, it was at one time feared that the championship entries would show a substantial falling-off. However, this fear, as the entries show, has proved unfounded.

M. N. Rakusen, last year's singles champion, is defending his title. No player has ever won the singles two years in succession and if the champion has other ideas, there are men like M. R. Abbas (runner-up last year), U. M. Omar, B. W. Bradbury,

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### THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

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The fifth interval will be after the fourth race on the second day.

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The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27794) will close at 11.45 a.m. on Saturday, and at 9.45 a.m. on Monday.

Clubs are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 21020).

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By Order,  
C. B. BROWN, Secretary,  
Hongkong, 26th May, 1941.

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A. E. Coates, A. R. Dallah, R. F. da Luz, R. Duncan, A. Hyde-Lay (former champions), A. R. Dallah, A. J. Hall, F. X. M. da Silva and C. G. Silva who will be out to prove him wrong.

H. A. ALVES and F. V. V. Ribeiro last year did what no other pair had done before: they won the Pairs Championship two years running.

They may expect stiff competition this year from such pairs as A. E. Coates and B. W. Bradbury; A. M. Omar and U. M. Omar; M. R. Abbas and A. R. Dallah; L. J. Silva and C. F. V. Ribeiro; J. E. Noronha and C. G. Silva; C. M. da Silva and F. X. Soares; C. Roza-Pereira and F. X. M. da Silva; W. L. Walker and R. Duncan; W. J. Burling and M. N. Rakusen; and J. V. Ramsay and R. Morrison.

These on paper at any rate, appear to be the most formidable pairs in the competition.

SO many "strong" rinks were eliminated in the early rounds of the Rinks Championship last year that I hesitate to make any forecast about this year's tournament.

The defending champions, R. Bass, A. E. Coates, J. S. Landolt and C. S. Rossetti, are determined to crush all opposition, but they have a job ahead of them.

In several instances, I believe, players have banded together to have a crack at the championship instead of splitting up their strength into many rinks.

J. Shepherd, of the Police, has got together his hitherto unbeaten League rinks made up of himself as skip, W. McLeod as No. 1, W. B. Harris as No. 2 and W. S. Dill as No. 3. Another good Police rinks is E. G. Post, W. Cameron, J. Oram and J. C. S. Fender.

Then there is the Craignower rinks of A. M. Omar, K. M. Omar, B. W. Bradbury and U. M. Omar. By that such a combination ought to go far would be very little indeed.

From the I.R.C., the strongest rinks appear to be that of J. Hoosen, A. M. Raminah, A. R. Dallah and M. R. Abbas.

The best rinks from Club de Recreio are L. J. Silva, H. A. Alves, F. V. V. Ribeiro and A. M. Rodrigues; J. A. Luz, C. E. Marques, J. F. V. Ribeiro and C. G. Silva; and F. A. Muchacho, C. M. Silva, R. F. Luz and F. X. M. da Silva.

A strong challenge is forthcoming from Kowloon B.G.C. who have W. L. Walker, J. C. Gill, J. McKelvie and A. M. Holland; L. Sykes, W. McNeill, R. Duncan and A. J. Hall; and E. Scard, P. Peckham, R. P. Phillips and A. Hyde-Lay.

From other clubs, the best rinks appear to be J. Gelatly, V. E. E. Bingham, J. F. McGowan and M. N. Rakusen (Civil Service) and J. V. Ramsay, T. Coleman, M. Ferguson and R. Morrison (Kowloon Docks).

SOME excellent matches are down for decision this week, the best of these being that between Kowloon B.G.C. "A" and Recreio "A".

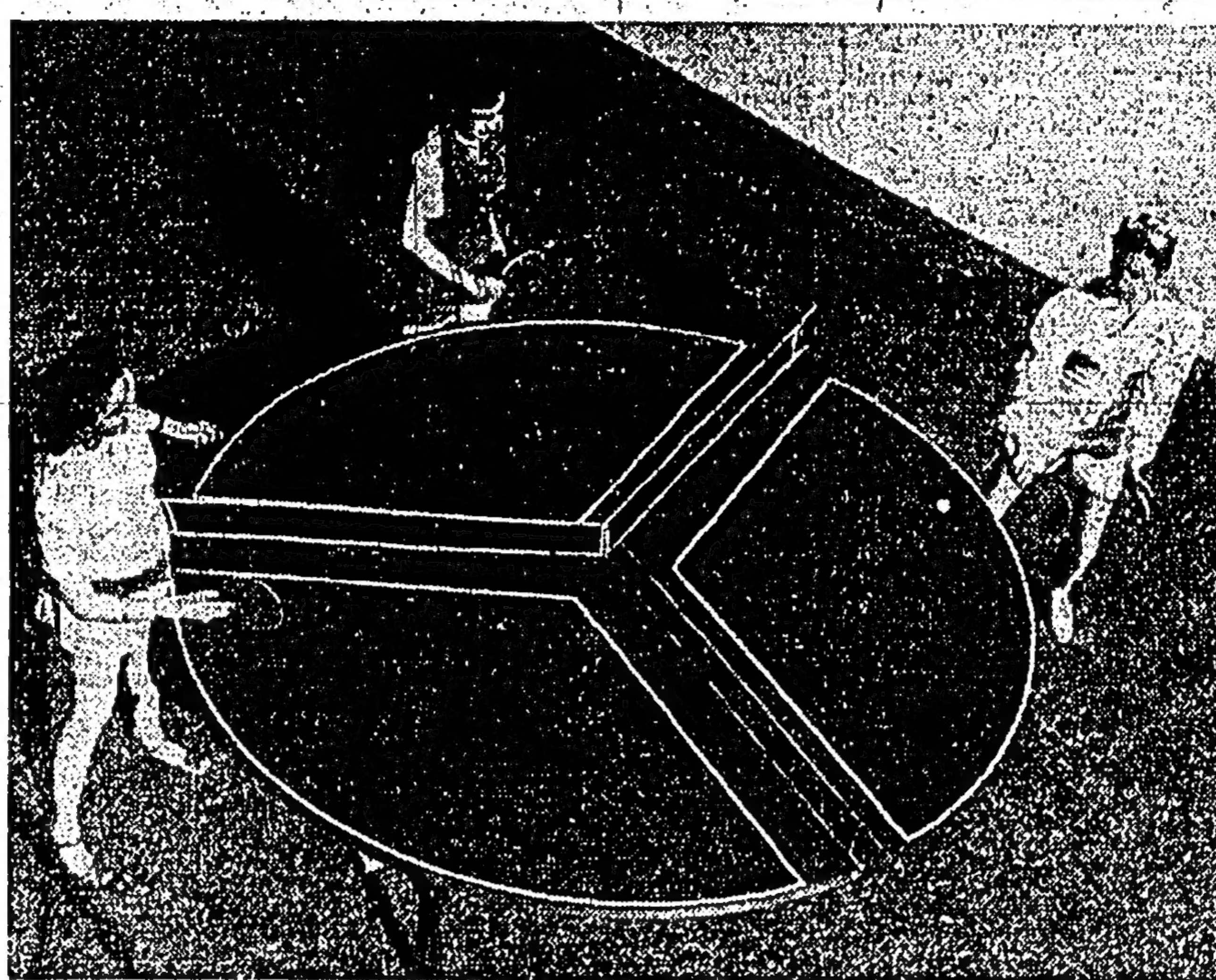
After their defeat by the Indians at Soekunpo, the K.B.G.C. made several changes in the side, and, from their point of view, it was rather a pity that their match against Civil Service on Saturday was not played as it would have given them an opportunity of ascertaining how the changes affected the side.

This week's game will be played at Austin Road and the home team, I am sure, will make the champions go all out.

Craignower C.C. will have a chance of lowering the colours of the unbeaten Recreio "B" and I think they will, too. The Police, at home, ought to beat the weak Kowloon C.C.

More even will be the matches between Civil Service and K.B.G.C. "B" (at Happy Valley), and between Indian R.C. and Kowloon Docks. The home teams in each case should win.

TWO alterations to the week-end programme have been made. The Indians v. Kowloon Docks game has been postponed, owing to the demands of duty on the latter team. The second change is that the Craignower-Recreio "B" match will be played on Sunday, by mutual agreement.



An elaboration of table tennis that is gaining popularity in the United States. The three-way competition provides for greater skill, while the players have to be constantly on the alert.

## Inter-Hong Swimming Gala On June 11

An inter-hong swimming gala in aid of the Bomber Fund and Y.M.C.A. Charities will be held on June 11 when six Hong, Hongkong Bank, Jardines, Butterfield and Swire, Hongkong Electric, Dodwells and Kowloon Docks, will compete.

Competition promises to be keen, and as there are only four lanes, heats will have to be swum. There are several other events, however, which will help to break up the programme and a water-polo match, which should take at least 25 minutes, will give finalists a breather before the finals.

### 200 Yards Relay

Novelty events and invitation relays will also be held, and the combined house should hold their own against Y.M.C.A. Combined Services and Civil Service in the 200 yards relay.

Dodwells have not yet arranged their team but will have the services of L. A. Benn, P. Wilson, L. C. Baker, D. H. Stewart, Miss Diana Dodwell, A. W. Salter, and Mrs Gertrude Goddard.

Entries are:

100 Yards Medley Relay  
Hongkong Bank, F. Hyde, M. F. L. Haynes, G. Day, F. M. Thompson, H. and S. V. G. H. Upton, J. A. Stewart, R. G. Castleton, A. C. Hutchison.

Jardines, E. A. Roberts, E. A. Gaubert, N. D. Booker, D. O. Parsons, H. Maycock, J. K. Sloan, D. Hutchison, G. Saunders, Kowloon Dock, L. Barkus, C. Logan, M. Dietrich, A. C. Hutchison.

Veterans (over 40) 25 yards—C. F. Hyde (Bank), G. Campbell (B. and S.), A. Stewart (Jardines), V. R. Smith (Electric), C. Logan (Dock), J. A. Stewart (B. and S.), N. D. Booker (Jardines), G. Saunders (Electric), M. Dietrich (Dock).

100 Yards Mixed Relay  
Bank—D. G. Day, Miss J. Booker, Mrs. J. Dugan, F. M. Thompson, H. and S. V. G. H. Upton, J. A. Stewart, R. G. Castleton, A. C. Hutchison.

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### League Tennis

## Recreio Beat Kowloon In Postponed Game

### "C" Division Fixtures

PLAYING their "A" Division League tennis match postponed from Monday, the Kowloon Cricket Club entertained and lost to the Club de Recreio 2-7 yesterday. Four of the scheduled "C" Division games were also played.

## Baer's Title Claim Rejected By Commission

WASHINGTON, May 28 (Reuter).—The District of Columbia Boxing Commission have rejected Buddy Baer's claim to the world heavyweight title.

Baer's claim was based on an allegation that Joe Louis hit him after the gong had sounded in the sixth round of the title bout recently.

The Commission upheld the decision of Referee Donovan in disqualifying Baer.

The Chairman announced that the promoter, Mike Jacobs, has agreed to a match between Baer and Louis again for the title at Washington in the first week in October.

## Gymkhana Postponed To October

THE POLO CLUB GYMKHANA, postponed for a second time on Saturday last owing to the rain, has now been put off until October. The whole was in aid of the British War Organisation Fund, and it has been regretfully decided that owing to the unlikelihood of there being any decent spells of fine weather in which to keep the ponies fit, the gymkhana will be put over to October.

Ticket holders will have their money refunded, should they wish, on application to Mr W. T. Stanton, Exchange Building.

The Entertainment Committee of the B.W.O.F. are grateful to all who sent donations towards the gymkhana, and to all who gave up so much time in the preparations.

## Air Squadron Named After Ranjitsinji

BOMBAY, May 15, (Reuter).—Cricketers in India, where Maharashtras have retained the Inter-Provincial championship by beating Madras, are, through the Indian States Sports Federation, establishing a Ranjitsinji Air Squadron.

A. V. Remedios and J. Gonsalves were the most successful pair for Recreio, winning all three matches, while for Kowloon, A. Crawford and S. A. Gray were the only pair able to win a set. They beat W. A. Reed and J. J. Remedios, drew with H. A. Barros and C. A. Baretto and lost to Remedios and Gonsalves.

E. C. Fincher and G. C. Burnett lost all three games, though two were by scores of 5-7 only. E. F. Fincher and N. A. E. Mackay took half a point when they drew with Reed and Remedios.

"C" Division, the Chinese R.C. "B" v. University match was postponed.

Scores were:  
KOWLOON v. RECREIO  
Kowloon lost to Recreio 2-7.  
E. C. Fincher and G. C. Burnett lost to H. A. Barros and C. A. Baretto 5-7; lost to W. A. Reed and J. J. Remedios 5-7; lost to A. V. Remedios and J. Gonsalves 2-6.

E. F. Fincher and N. A. E. Mackay lost to Barros and Baretto 3-6; drew with Reed and Remedios 6-6; lost to Remedios and Gonsalves 2-6.

A. Crawford and S. A. Gray drew with Barros and Baretto 6-6; beat Reed and Remedios 6-6; lost to Remedios and Gonsalves 2-6.

"C" Division  
KOWLOON v. CHINESE A  
Kowloon beat Chinese 3-5.  
Hazell and Llewellyn beat H. M. Chan and P. Yu 6-3; beat C. Wei and Y. C. Chan 6-3; beat M. C. Tang and S. Y. Tong 7-5.

Kloss and Fisher beat Chan and Yu 6-4; beat Wei and Chan 7-5; drew with Tong and Tong 6-6.

Bohington and Anderson lost to Chan and Yu 2-6; lost to Wei and Chan 3-6; lost to Tong and Tong 5-6.

K.I.T.C. v. CRAIGNOWER  
Kowloon Indians lost to Craignower 3-6.

S. A. and S. B. Hussain lost to J. V. Leonard and H. K. Lee 2-6; beat W. J. Howard and K. L. Woo 6-3; beat G. Lai and A. Hung 6-1.

Mahan Singh and S. A. M. Sopher lost to Leonard and Lee 2-6; lost to Howard and Won 2-6; beat Lai and Hung 6-3.

M. Ramzan and Y. J. Khan lost to Leonard and Lee 6-6; lost to Howard and Woo 6-6; lost to Lai and Hung 3-6.

KOWLOON TONG v. RECREIO  
Kowloon Tong lost to Recreio 2-7.

L. B. Chan and D. Kwok lost to H. K. and C. A. Noronha 3-6; lost to A. M. Silva and A. E. Noronha 6-6; beat F. J. Remedios and P. B. Botelho 5-6.

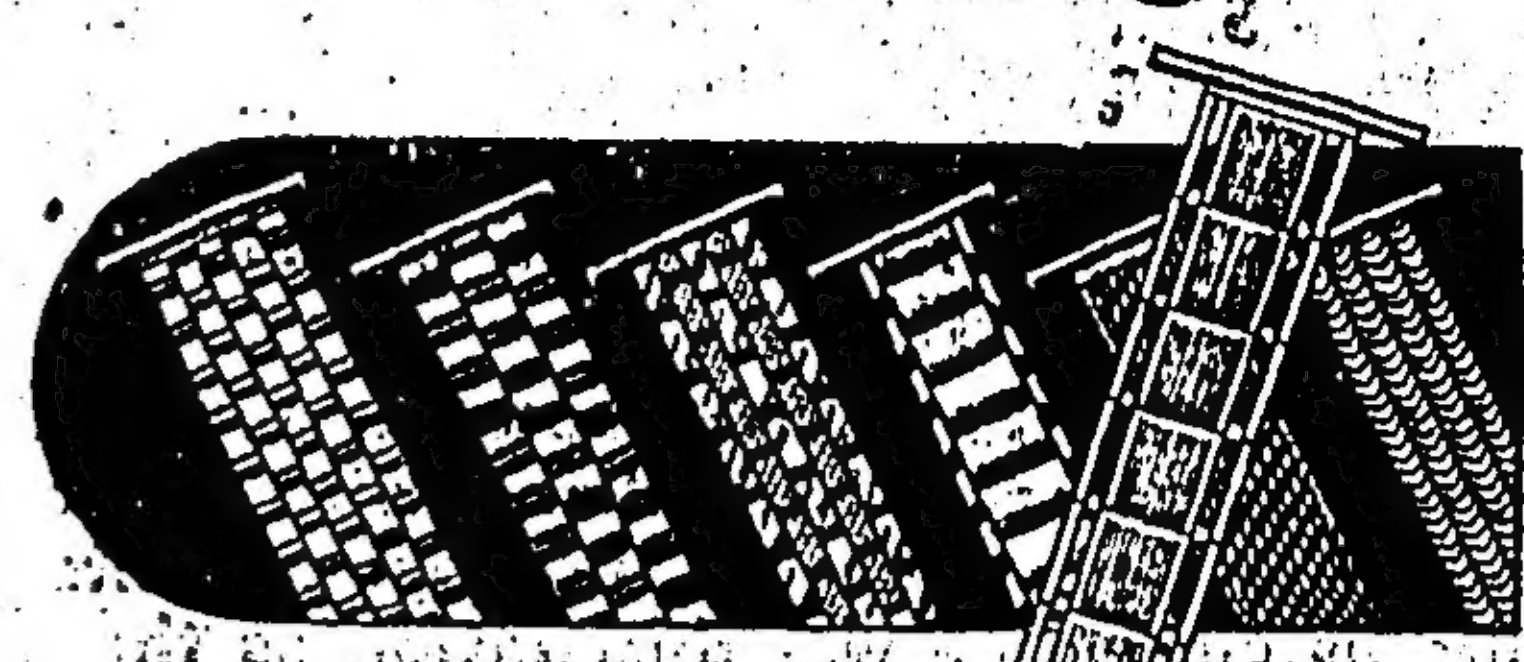
K. M. Lee and A. H. Barro drew with Noronha and Noronha 6-6; lost to Silva and Noronha 1-6; lost to Remedios and Botelho 1-6.

INDIANS v. SOUTH CHINA  
Indians lost to South China 1-5.  
A. Rahman and G. Singh lost to S. Y. Li and H. N. Wong 4-6; lost to J. Kwok and C. C. Ng 3-6; lost to K. Y. Chan and C. C. Ng 3-6.

I. Kitchell and M. Hassan lost to Li and Wong 4-6; lost to Kwok and Wan 3-6; beat Chan and Ng 6-4.

M. P. Madar and A. H. H. Esmail lost to Li and Wong 4-6; lost to Kwok and Wan 3-6; lost to Chan and Ng 5-6.

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## LIFE-LONG RESIDENT PASSES

**Mr. A. J. da Cruz Rocha**  
Mr. A. J. da Cruz Rocha, after a long illness passed away at St. Francis Hospital, yesterday at 73 years of age.

A life-long resident of the Colony, he is survived by the widow, three sons and a daughter. Three brothers, V. C. and J. M. da Rocha who are in Hongkong and C. B. de Rocha, who is in Manila and a sister, Mrs. P. O. da Rocha, is in Shanghai.

For many years deceased had served as Honorary Treasurer of St. Vincent de Paul. His last employment was with Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.

The funeral will pass the Monument at 5.30 p.m. to-day.

## LATE NEWS

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which was laid this afternoon. The committee quite rightly considered the problem before it in the same light as that in which the war Revenue Ordinance was devised, that is to say, the provision of sufficient revenue to cover our war expenditure, including certain gifts to His Majesty's Government. To this end they have produced a series of very valuable recommendations which will strengthen and render more watertight the existing ordinance, and in order to meet the heavier war expenditure of the Colony they have recommended that the basic rates of the various forms of taxation should be raised from the present basic rates of 6% and 12% respectively. In order that this increase should not weigh too heavily on the least well-to-do of those liable to pay Salary Tax they have recommended reasonable increases in the allowances for wife and children.

### Greater Increases

I have, however, discussed the report with the Executive Council in the light of what I have said already about the general intensification of our war effort, and I have recommended to them, and have obtained their concurrence with, the general increase of the present basic rates to 7% and 14%. So far as the salary tax is concerned, I am giving close personal attention to the question whether this further increase will result in a net loss to the Government, and whether it is fair to ask those who have to maintain a family elsewhere than in Hongkong, having regard to the very considerable increases that are being made in the allowances for wives and children. That must be avoided. The Attorney General will in due course inform you in detail of these proposed amendments.

Before leaving this subject I offer to the organizers of the "South China Morning Post" Bomber Fund my very hearty congratulations on having passed the two million dollar mark. I feel sure that the Council will fully join their congratulations to mine. I trust that what I have said this afternoon about the Colony's war-effort will not be taken as derogatory to their energetic patriotism or to the public spirited munificence of the many individuals and firms who have contributed to that fine total. My remarks have, of course, a very different bearing.

## Evacuation & Govt Officials' Wives

Before the Legislative Council this afternoon, the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson asked the following questions:

Will the Government give statistics of the incidence of evacuation of the wives of senior Government Officers, namely—

(a) wives not in the Colony when the evacuation was ordered, (b) wives departed since that date, (c) wives recommended for exemption by the Evacuation Advisory Committee, (d) cases still pending when further compulsory evacuation was suspended?

In how many cases was the recommendation of the Evacuation Advisory Committee over-ruled by higher authority?

### The Replies

The following answers were given: Taking "Senior Officers" as including the following 22 officers, namely: the two judges, all official members of both Councils, all 1st class cadets and all the heads of the principal departments of Government, but excluding three unmarried officers in those categories, the replies to the questions are:

1.—(a) five; (b) nine; (c) six; (d) two.

2.—Nil. No exemptions granted except in the six cases mentioned in 1 (c) above.

## New War Taxation Rates For Hongkong

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was framed or which were likely to be taken in the near future, the Colony's war expenditure during the present financial year would amount to considerably more than the sum of \$12,300,000 shown in the printed Estimates. This additional war expenditure was likely to be of the order of \$3,600,000. Allowing for an estimated yield in 1941-42 of \$9,300,000, the War Taxation on its present basis and a net surplus of revenue over expenditure for the financial year 1940-41 amounting to \$3,000,000 which could be carried forward into 1941-42, it was desirable to raise additional revenue to the extent of some five million dollars by modifying the existing War Taxes or by imposing new ones or by a combination of both methods.

(b) From the relatively small number of firms paying Business Profits Tax and the fact that up to March 31, 1941, the net amount charged in respect of Business Profits Tax was only \$1,070,000 as compared with \$4,531,000 in respect of Corporation Profits Tax it was evident that a large section of the business community was not bearing its fair share of the Colony's war-time burden.

### No Income Tax

To reduce the possibilities of evasion and ensure equal incidence we first considered the advisability of recommending the complete repeal of the present War Revenue Ordinance and the substitution therefore of a full Income Tax enactment; we decided, however, by a majority, that in view of the opposition which the suggestion to introduce Income Tax had called forth in 1939 we would re-affirm in this regard the recommendation of the original War Revenue Committee. We decided to appoint a Sub-Committee composed of Mr. A. G. Clarke (Chairman), Mr. E. M. Bryden, Mr. L. Kadoorie, and Mr. C. van Langenberg to examine in detail the present War Revenue Ordinance with a view to smoothing out its inequities and increasing the yield from War Taxation. This Sub-Committee held twelve meetings and presented a most comprehensive report which was gratefully adopted by the full Committee, and which formed the basis for our conclusions and recommendations. Our conclusions have been incorporated in a draft War Revenue Bill which is attached to this Report as an Appendix.

### New Tax Proposed

We felt that the charge of inequitable incidence could not be avoided. In fact, we devised some means of taxing the one broad source of unearned income at present untaxed—namely, interest on loans and mortgages. We have before devised a scheme for the taxation of certain classes of interest which we have included in the draft Bill under a new Chapter entitled "Interest Tax". This tax is practically limited to interest on mortgages, bills of exchange, debentures and loans made to corporations or firms who are liable to Profits Tax; we found that the yield to be expected from taxing interest on bank fixed deposits, savings bank accounts, etc., would be too small in relation to the cost and trouble of administration to the banks concerned.

With a view to increasing the yield from Business Profits Tax we considered that the exemption limit should be reduced from \$10,000 to \$5,000 and that the limit for the lower rate of taxation should be reduced from \$100,000 to \$50,000. The reduction of the exemption limit would greatly increase the number of firms paying this tax and would minimize the incentive to the splitting of businesses. We considered the question of whether a loss by a business or corporation in one year should be set off against the profits of succeeding years but in view of the temporary nature of the Ordinance and the urgent need for revenue we have not recommended such a provision. For similar reasons, we considered any provision for depreciation in respect of the expiry of leases to be undesirable. We have not recommended that payments such as charitable contributions and donations to war funds or expenses incurred in connexion with Air Raid Precaution measures should be exempted from Profit Tax.

### Increased Allowances

We came to the conclusion that in view of the rise in the cost of living some relief should be afforded to those payers of Salaries Tax who have wives and children. With this object we have recommended that the scale of allowances for a wife and children should be revised as follows:—

	Now	Recommended
Wife	\$2,000	\$3,000
1st child	\$1,000	\$2,000
2nd child	\$1,000	\$1,000
3rd child	\$1,000	\$500
4th child	\$1,000	\$500

We consider, however, that no allowance should be made for children in excess of four, or for dependent relatives. At the same time we have recommended that the lower rate of Salaries Tax be brought into line with the lower rates of the other War Taxes.

### Likely Effect

The above amendments, and many others on matters of detail which we have incorporated in the draft Bill but which we do not propose to attempt to explain in this Report since they are explained in the Table of Correspondence attached to the Bill, would in our opinion result in a more equitable distribution of the burden of war taxation, it is estimated that they would result in the following increases or decreases in revenue:—

	Increase	Decrease
Salaries Tax	\$1,000,000	\$800,000
Business Profits Tax	\$3,000,000	—
Interest Tax	\$1,000,000	—
Not Increased	\$1,070,000	—

Taking the estimate of yield for 1941-42 at \$9,300,000 if the present War Revenue Ordinance were to continue unchanged, the adoption of

## LARDER OF BRITAIN

Came Through Winter, Secure In Supplies

LONDON, May 28 (British Wireless).—Confidence in Britain's food position was affirmed by the Minister of Food, Lord Woolton, in the House of Lords to-day when he said: "We have suffered but we emerge from the winter in a position as strongly secured in our food supplies as 12 months ago."

Stating that one object of rationing was to give every individual the prescriptive right to obtain an equal share of a rationed commodity, Lord Woolton announced that he was about to start a new system of experimental rationing. He would presently ration eggs and, whether from force of necessity or not, he believed that he would ration milk but he hoped never to have to ration bread.

## No Repeal Of Neutrality Legislation

WASHINGTON, May 28 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt has no intention of asking for a repeal of the Neutrality Act and is not considering its revision.

The President made this clear at a special press conference to-day to clarify certain outstanding questions following his "fireside chat."

The President added that he was not at present considering any executive orders to implement his proclamation of a state of "unlimited national emergency."

## UNITED STATES MEMORIAL DAY

To Be Observed in H.K.

In commemoration of Memorial Day, a party of American ladies, an American naval party, and Mr. Robert C. Coudray, American Vice-Consul representing the Consulate General, will assemble at the Colonial Cemetery at 10.30 to-morrow morning for the purpose of laying wreaths on the graves of American citizens buried at Happy Valley.

After the ceremony at the Colonial Cemetery, the party will proceed to the Catholic Cemetery and be received by Father Grampa. The party will then repair to the Hebrew Cemetery where they will be received by Mr. Lawrence Kadoorie, President of the Hebrew Community.

A United States naval officer, representing the United States Navy and accompanied by American naval ratings from the U.S.S. Asheville, will be in attendance.

Originally the day was a memorial to those who died in the Civil War, but now it has become a general day of remembrance for all war dead and is observed in many states of the Union, and possessions, as a national holiday.

All American citizens who care to participate are requested to attend.

The amendments mentioned above would bring in a further \$1,570,000 raising the total to \$10,870,000. Since data collected by the War Taxation Department indicate that generally have risen—it is not unreasonable to put the total yield at the round figure of \$11,000,000. This sum, however, falls considerably short of the amount which the Financial Secretary had advised us was necessary, and we had next to consider how additional revenue could best be found.

### Higher Basic Rates

We came to the conclusion that the extra amount required could best be obtained not by the imposition of new miscellaneous taxes, the yield from each of which would be comparatively small, but by raising the basic rates of all five war taxes. On a basis of 5% and 10% the estimated yield was \$11,000,000 so that raising the basic rates to 6% and 12% would produce an additional one-fifth or two-fifths or \$4,400,000.

Estimated Rates	Estimated Yield
5% and 10%	\$11,000,000
6% and 12%	\$15,400,000
7% and 14%	\$19,800,000

The first alternative (6% and 12%) would produce rather less and the second alternative (7% and 14%) rather more than the additional sum which the Financial Secretary had advised it was necessary to find; taking into consideration the healthy state of the Colony's surplus balances and the estimated annual yield of at least half a million dollars from the recently imposed duty on Toilet Preparations we finally decided to recommend that the basic rates be raised to 6% and 12%. The estimated yield at the old and new basic rates can be set out in detail as follows:—

	At 5% and 10%	At 6% and 12%
Salaries Tax	1,000,000	1,440,000
Property Tax	2,500,000	2,700,000
Corporations Profits Tax	4,000,000	5,640,000
Business Profits Tax	1,000,000	2,100,000
Interest Tax	1,000,000	1,200,000
	11,000,000	13,200,000

### Recommendation And Conclusion

We recommend that the War Revenue Ordinance, 1940, be repealed and replaced by an enactment on the lines of the draft Bill appended hereto; the draft Bill includes a provision that all matters pertaining to the year of assessment which ended on March 31, 1941, shall be dealt with under the present Ordinance. In conclusion, we should like to express our indebtedness to Mr. K. M. A. Barnett, the Secretary to the Committee, who has kept full minutes of our meetings and who prepared the first draft of our Report.

(Signed) C. G. Alabaster (Chairman), R. R. Todd, Stanley H. Dodwell, J. J. Paterson, M. K. Lo, Li Tze-jong, W. N. T. Tam, V. M. Grayburn, R. J. Nee, R. Robertson, L. Kadoorie, N. G. Chalk, A. G. Clarke, Cyril van Langenberg and Leo d'Almeida e Castro, Jnr.

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